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ECONOMIC SURVEY 2025-26

National GDP expected to grow at 6.8-7.2% next financial year

INDIA TO STAY IN FAST LANE

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

INDIA's economic engine is revving up and is expected to enter the next financial year at full throttle, the Economic Survey 2025-26 tabled in Parliament on Thursday signalled as it projected a real GDP growth rate 6.8%-7.2% for FY27.

This outlook follows a strong performance in FY26 where the economy is estimated to grow at 7.4%, reinforcing India's position as the world's fastest-growing major economy for the fourth consecutive year.

The Survey upgraded India's medium-term potential growth rate to 7% from the previous estimate of 6.5%. However, it flagged global uncertainties and warned of a 2008-like crisis in 2026. Given the potential risks, having a strong and sustained manufacturing growth would be the need of the hour, the finance ministry said.

"First Advance Estimates place real GDP growth at 7.4% with growth largely driven by domestic demand. Private consumption and capital formation continue to support expansion, while services remain the key contributor on the supply side," the Survey said.

Higher tax collection, better export market, lower inflation and better employment will contribute to the growth momentum. The Survey, tabled by

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in both Houses on Thursday, highlighted how internal resilience has helped create a buffer for the economy against external headwinds.

The Survey highlighted the tax reforms – both in direct and indirect taxes – during the previous year, and noted that these helped India make a calibrated fiscal strategy, anchored in credible deficit reduction leading to resilient revenue mobilisation, and better spending toward capital formation.

The Survey listed strong fiscal indicators – revenue receipts rising from 8.5% of GDP in the pre-pandemic period (FY16-FY20) to 9.1% in FY22-FY25, moderation of revenue expenditure from 13.6% of GDP in FY22 to 10.9% in FY25, and halving of fiscal deficit from 9.2% in FY21 to 4.4% in FY26.

The Survey advocated for more de-regulation to create a self-reliant (Swadeshi) Indian economy.

Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran said Swadeshi Ecosystem could be achieved through deregulation, whole-of-government approach, and cluster-led growth, input costs reduction including removal of inversion and cross-subsidisation. And thus, having an entrepreneurial mindset is much needed to have a risk-taking attitude.

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POLICY PRESCRIPTIONS

TARIFF IMPACT

Focus on building national capabilities and economic sovereignty in the face of shrinking space for rules-based trading, anti-immigrant stance, weaponisation of energy and export controls

COSTLY FREEBIES

Direct cash transfers to voters ahead of elections – a new strategy adopted by political parties – have long-term viability risks. Aggregate spending on such transfers would be ₹1.7 lakh crore in FY26, it warned



COOL INFLATION

Retail inflation is unlikely to cause major worries as economy is supported by favourable supply-side conditions and gradual pass-through of GST rate cuts. Inflation may average 2% this fiscal. The new CPI series, due to kick in on Feb 12, will have implications for inflation assessment

GRAM G VS MGNREGS

The VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 was brought in because there was a notable decline in work under MGNREGS. Since its enactment in 2005, MGNREGS provided wage employment, stabilised rural income, and created basic infrastructure, but the nature of rural employment requirements transformed overtime.

SC stays UGC fiat on campus equity

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday stayed till March 19 the University Grants Commission (Promotion of Equity in Higher Education Institutions) Regulations, notified on January 23 after hearing a batch of pleas challenging the Commission's controversial order. The new Promotion of Equity in Higher Education Regulations, 2026 had revised measures to tackle caste-based discrimination in campuses by restricting grievance mechanisms only for SC, ST and OBC categories.

"The 2026 UGC regulations on what amounts to caste-based discrimination shall be kept in abeyance. The 2012 Regulations will continue. The provisions are prima facie vague and capable of misuse," it said.

A two-judge bench of Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justice Joymalya Bagchi passed the order noting that the court was prepared to examine the constitutionality of the new regulations. The petitions before the court alleged that the UGC adopted a non-inclusive definition of caste-based discrimination and

excluded certain categories from institutional protection. Several pleas challenged the regulations for excluding 'general category' students from the grievance redressal mechanism.

The court orally observed that if it does not intervene in the matter, it "will lead to a dangerous impact" and "divide the society".

In strong remarks during the hearing, the Chief Justice questioned Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, asking whether the country was becoming regressive.



EXPRESS READ

Session extended by four days till Feb 4

Bengaluru: The joint session of the legislature, which was to conclude on January 31, has been extended till February 4, Speaker UT Khader told the Assembly on Thursday | P4

BIFFES

CALL FOR CM TO TAKE STAND ON SCREENING OF PALESTINIAN FILMS

Amid a row over the Centre not clearing four Palestinian movies for screening, actor Prakash Raj insisted that CM Siddaramaiah take a stand. In protest, he read out a Palestinian poem on the inaugural stage set on the steps of Vidhana Soudha | P2

Tharoor gets his space, Rahul smokes peace pipe

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AMID reports of unease with the party leadership, Congress MP Shashi Tharoor on Thursday held a detailed meeting with party president Mallikarjun Kharge and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, signalling a possible thaw in relations.

According to sources, Tharoor was assured by Rahul that he would receive due recognition within the party going forward as both sides emphasised unity and coordination as the party gears up for the crucial Kerala assembly elections scheduled for April-May.

The nearly two-hour meeting at Kharge's Parliament office addressed concerns over Tharoor's



Shashi Tharoor with Rahul Gandhi and Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge

perceived sidelining within the organisation. Sources said Rahul conveyed to Tharoor that his services were crucial for the Congress and assured him that he would be included in important decision-making processes.

This was the first time Rahul had spent such an extended period with Tharoor, noting that previous interactions were limited to brief meetings of five to ten minutes.

MAHA BIDS A TEARFUL ADIEU TO AJIT PAWAR

The 66-year-old NCP chief was cremated with full state honours at the Vidya Pratishthan college ground in Baramati on Thursday. As thousands gathered to pay their last respects, Pawar's sons, Parth and Jay, lit the funeral pyre in the presence of Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Pawar's extended family. Sharad Pawar, Ajit's uncle, sat quietly watching a legacy he helped build become a memory | P12

YETTINAHOLE

Contracts given without assessing contractors' capability: CAG

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @Bengaluru

THE Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) report on the Yettinahole Integrated Drinking Water Project has revealed that 80 per cent of works were awarded without assessing contractors' financial capacity, bidding ability, or experience, posing a risk of delays and non-completion.

The report also said that the project aimed to provide drinking water to Kolar and Chikkaballapura districts, has lingered for more than 12 years due to severe deficiencies, including long delays in land acquisition, inordinate delays in construction of Balancing Reservoir; non-synchronisation of Phase-I and Phase-II components and funding uncertainty.

"As a result, despite a very large expenditure of Rs 15,297 crore (as of March 2024), the project's primary objective of providing drinking water facility to intended beneficiary districts remains unfulfilled," it said.

The audit report that was tabled in the assembly on Thursday noticed deficiencies in tendering process such as non-adoption of standard tender document, non-assessment of bid capacity of contractors and insufficient bidding time for high value contracts ranging from Rs 87.08 crore to Rs 1,135 crore. P4

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PALESTINIAN FILMS: BIFFes OPENS WITH CALL TO CM TO TAKE STAND

Film frat urges state to oppose Centre for not clearing four movies

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AMID a row over the Centre not clearing four Palestinian movies for screening at the 17th edition of Bengaluru International Film Festival (BIFFes) and the state government not taking a stand on the matter, multilingual actor and brand ambassador of BIFFes Prakash Raj insisted that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah take a stand. In protest, he read out a Palestinian poem on the stage set on the grand steps of Vidhana Soudha, during the inaugural ceremony of the film festival on Thursday.

Members of the film fraternity and politicians urged the CM to take a stand regarding four of the five Palestinian films that were not cleared for screening. Speaking after the inauguration, Prakash Raj said an international film festival or literature festival is held to discuss and share diverse ideas and create possibilities for human connection. "However, nowadays, politics has made an entry into film and literary events. At a time when such a film festival is being held, Palestinian films are not being allowed to screen," he said, urging the Karnataka government to oppose the Centre's move and take a clear stand.

Drawing a comparison, Prakash Raj said when a short story collection from Karnataka, Heart Lamp, was translated into English and won the Booker Prize, it was celebrated widely. "When someone else cannot bring their stories to our land, how can this be accepted?" he questioned. He pointed out that Kerala had taken a stand on the issue and screened the films, and said Karnataka should show similar resolve. Reading out the Palestinian poem, he stated that it reflected the pain and suffering of the people.

Karnataka Legislative Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti said several issues had been raised regarding films coming from outside or being made locally. "If we preserve and nurture all of this in a positive manner, such programmes will achieve their purpose," he said. Addressing the gathering,



Chief Minister Siddaramaiah inaugurates the 17th edition of Bengaluru International Film Festival on Thursday. Actors Rukmini Vasanth and Prakash Raj look on; artistes put up a show during the inaugural | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

CM Siddaramaiah said the purpose of holding an international film festival was to understand how people live in other countries, their politics and societies, and the inequalities or equality between men and women. However, he did not make any statement on the issue raised by Prakash Raj.

The CM assured that the government would extend all possible support and cooperation for film production and development of cinema, which is not limited to mere entertainment, but played a vital role in correcting social distortions. "Today, society faces inequality, poverty, discrimination and injustice affecting Dalits, backward classes, minorities, farmers, workers and women. Cinema has the responsibility to place these realities before society," he said, recalling that many films of actor Rajkumar had effectively reflected such issues.

Karnataka Chalanachitra Academy president Sadhu Kokila said the speciality of this year's BIFFes was the tagline given by the government, "Shree endhara ashta saake", inspired by poet GS Shivardrappa. Reflecting this spirit, over 250 films from more than 65 countries are being screened, including competition entries. He said more than 120 award-winning and internationally acclaimed films were part of the line-up, with over 65 women directors participating.

He also highlighted initiatives such as red carpet welcomes for film teams, photo exhibitions marking 91 years of Kannada cinema and 99 years of the industry, a Wall of Honour at Lulu Mall, open-air screenings, enhanced medical assistance for film workers, and urged the government to introduce a single-window clearance system for film permissions.

Displaced back at Kogilu, govt tells HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE State government on Thursday informed the Karnataka High Court that around 15 residents of demolished houses in Kogilu layout came to the rehabilitation centre, utilised amenities, had food, and returned to the encroached sites.

The government further submitted that provision had been made for food, shelter, medical facilities and basic amenities in four rehabilitation centres within a radius of 0.5km to 5km of the encroached areas. In spite of public announcements and requests by officers, people residing on government land have refused to move.

Making this submission before the division bench of Chief Justice Vibhu Bakhrui and Justice CM Poonacha, Advocate-General (AG) K Shashikiran Shetty submitted that those evicted have put up temporary sheds and are continuing to reside on government land. The court was hearing a PIL filed by



Zaiba Tabassum, Rehana and Areefa Begam, who were among those evicted from Fakir and Wasim colonies.

Countering the petitioners' claim that they had been residing in the two colonies for 28 years, the AG submitted that satellite images of 2013 show the claim is incorrect, and a majority of houses came up after May 2025. About 14 acres of land in question were used for quarrying, and later the pits were used for dumping of garbage. In

fact, residing in the area is dangerous to health because of leachate plants, he argued.

Pointing out that procedure has to be followed before evicting the encroachers, the court questioned counsel for the petitioners about their claim that they have been residing for 28 years, when satellite images do not support it. The counsel submitted that the petitioners have provided voter IDs. Even if the area is encroached, the state should follow procedure laid down by the apex court before evicting them, he argued.

The petitioners' counsel disputed the government claim that land grant orders of November 28, 2014, pertaining to 9 acres 36 guntas and February 17, 2016, concerning 5 acres, to the erstwhile BBMP are wholly misconceived. Both orders categorically stipulated that if the land was not utilised within two years for the specific purpose, or diverted for any other use, it would automatically stand resumed by the Revenue department without prior no-

tice. The land was never utilised by BBMP for the purpose for which it was granted. The land grant was not reflected in RTC records. Therefore, the state has no locus standi to undertake any process or exercise authority over land that had already reverted to the Revenue department, he argued.

State lists structures from '13

The State government informed the high court that there were no structures at the site till 2013, and only 15 structures were found in 2014, 19 in 2016, 15 in 2017, 16 in 2018 and eventually 44 in 2022, 47 in May 2024 and 70 up to May 2025. Within a few months, another 97 structures were put up, totalling 167 illegal temporary structures, and the same were removed. Google Earth images specifically show the structures being put up rapidly over the past few months. Hence, the contention of the petitioners that the settlers had been staying at the 'site' for many years is untenable and contrary to facts.

VC: Hosp work on RGUHS campus as per NMC rules

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

RAJIV Gandhi University of Health Sciences (RGUHS) Vice-Chancellor, Bhagvan BC on Thursday said that construction of hospital in its campus at Archakarahalli in Ramanagara is part of the phased development plan in consultation with the state government.

In his response to Bengaluru Rural MP Dr C N Manjunath, who mentioned that the new campus of RGUHS at Archakarahalli needs to house a 650-bed hospital, the VC said the project is being carried out in accordance with the guidelines of the National Medical Commission, with the university's own funds.

He said: "We also want to provide accommodation for the staff, construct a stadium and hospital. Based on the availability of land, infrastructure, grants and administrative approvals, appropriate decisions will be taken on the next phase of development works."

No clarity on budget allocation for corpns, outlay may be small: Experts

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

WITH all eyes on elections and the maiden Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) budget for Bengaluru's five city corporations, experts said there is lack of clarity on the allocation of funds and execution of works. They also pointed to confusion over funds needed by GBA and other parastatal agencies, including Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB), Bengaluru Smart Infrastructure Limited (B-Smile) and Bangalore Solid Waste Management Limited (BS-WML) to execute works.

Civic expert Kathyayini Chamaraj said against the expectations of the five corporations, the budget outlay will be small. Apart from getting government grants, they will have to generate their own revenue to meet expenditure. With unequal city growth, equi-revenue generation will be difficult among the corporations. Execution of all major projects will be through the GBA which will also need funds, she said, adding that it will be interesting to see how funds will be divided between corporators after elections.

A state Finance Commission official, seeking anonymity, said that as per the 12th Schedule of the Constitution and terms of reference of the working of the commission, funds are to be allocated to the corporation and not to any agency.

"Funds will not be allocated to the GBA, B-Smile, BS-WML and others. It will be only to the corporation, in this case to five corporations. Also, in the last report submitted to the Governor in November 2025, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

(BBMP) was not included. Now another report is being prepared and will be submitted by February-end to the Governor, which will then be sent to the state government and Cabinet for approval. If files are cleared at quick speed, the five corporations will get equitable funds and not equally distributed allocation. Devolution of funds depends on multiple criteria, including population, geographical area, notified and non-notified slums and area development," the official said.

Urban expert Ashwin Mahesh said while each corporation will have its own budget, major projects will be undertaken by the agencies, and projects that involve more than one corporation will be under the ambit of the GBA. With so many agencies, citizens will not know whom to reach out to for getting issues resolved.

Urban expert V Ravichandrar added that the five corporations now have the opportunity to focus better on capital expenditure works like tarring and repairing roads, improving footpaths, streetlights, parks and other such works. He said Bengaluru is not about major projects, but improving wards and neighbourhoods. These funds look small, but are important for the city.

B.Pac, RWAs push for EVMs in GBA polls

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

B.PAC members and representatives of Residents Welfare Associations met State Election Commissioner GS Sangreshi on Thursday, urging him to hold the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) elections through Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) instead of the ballot system.

Nawin Iyer, an aspirant corporator from Rajajinagar and a B.Pac representative, said the voters exercised their franchise through the ballot in 1999 in Karnataka, but since then, voting has been held through EVMs. Holding elections through the ballot in the present day is like taking a step backwards, he added.

Girivasalu Naidu, member, Basavanagudi Residents Welfare Association, said EVMs also have a slip system and the voter is shown to which serial number/symbol/party they have voted for. The SEC could have simply used the new system, as it is fast.

Members from RT Nagar RWA in North City Corporation was also part of the delegation. A senior citizen raised concern of fraud and rigging with the ballot system.

A senior official from SEC said they have received a memorandum and assured the delegation to look into concerns. "The officials concerned will be called to discuss the issue," said the official.

EXPRESS READ



PES varsity signs MoU to upskill rural graduates

Bengaluru: PES University signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) on Wednesday to skill rural engineering graduates

in the field of automation and robotics at the Bajaj Engineering Skills Training (BEST) Centre at PES University. DDU-GKY is an initiative of the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. Under the MoU, selected engineering graduates from underserved communities will undergo a fully-funded residential training programme with placement assistance. **ENS**



Karnataka State Board of Auqaf celebrates 77th Republic Day

Bengaluru: Karnataka State Board of Auqaf celebrated the 77th Republic Day at the board's head office. Chairman Dr Syed Muhammad Ali at-Hussaini unfurled the national flag. Dr Syed said, "Being true to yourself will make you true to your country; at the same time, shape yourself responsibly to shape the future of your country." Member of the board Asif Ali, CEO Dr Maazuddin Khan, additional CEO Afzal Pasha, officers and staff from the head office, and employees from the Bengaluru Urban and Rural Auqaf offices were also present. **ENS**

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

30th January: Cozy Conjunction The swollen moon conjuncts lucky Jupiter in the sign of domesticity, emphasizing the importance of coziness and comfort at home. Like all the creatures, we need a place where we feel safe, protected and relaxed. Our nervous systems demand reprieve from both the emotional and the physical elements. If something is obstructing your domestic peace, address it.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

You've fantasized about your future, and now that wishful thinking is in the realm of possibility. Go forward. The next steps still take a bit of courage, just because they are new. But they aren't nearly as risky as you once imagined.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)

A relationship may still be undefined, but there's freedom in the lack of definition, and furthermore, the ambiguity leaves room for imagination. Consider letting this one define itself.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)

Don't assume that people like you do. Learn into differences. Get curious. You'll be around people with talents different from yours, but you have to ask to know it's true, and ask more to find a way to work together.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)

You've hung your heart on a distant star, and that's more than OK because you also have the dedication to do what it takes and the resilience to keep coming back to it in a new way until you've figured it out.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)

Your eyes are doing a lot of work today, not only taking life in but telegraphing it out, sending signals as they complete your smile or perhaps smile on their own without any help from the rest of you. Your eyes may reveal a little more than intended.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

Identity isn't a single rigid structure; it's layered. Some layers can shift without the core being disturbed. You can reinvent, make-over or glow-up without erasing your former self. You'll release a role and still remain fully yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)

You often seem to make someone feel better or act better. Today, you can do the same thing without words. Your silent presence has a vibe, and that tells it all. Some moments just require you to hold the space.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)

You've learned to keep things interesting for everyone, especially yourself, because bored people tend to misbehave. It's time to change it up again. One new location will do the trick.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

A group is becoming increasingly important to you. As you participate, you'll learn more about its members and develop an even deeper connection. Much can be accomplished here.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

Your life's yours to build, but you are also aware that you're working inside systems and structures that entrap you. Both things can be true. For now, stick with anything that adds to your fulfillment, and life will get easier.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

The influences you choose will be people who move in the spirit of positivity. There's someone you know who seems doubly grateful for half the blessings. Though their accounting is unusual, it's a beneficial math.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)

Emotional truth and factual truth are different kinds of honesty that don't always show up together. Someone might express genuine pain even if their interpretation of events isn't precise.

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CROSS WORD

ACROSS

- Their inspiration is an advantage in writing (5)
- Clue far from being accurate (7)
- Prosecute for wrong use (3)
- Keep dark for a defined period (9)
- Spread out and blow up (7)
- An award for tidiness (5)
- Upset the drawer and get the money (6)
- Unguarded runway is destroyed (6)
- Subtle publicity featuring girl in the woods (5)
- Make-up helps mother hide a blemish (7)
- Considering retribution (9)
- Man in a mix-up (3)
- It could restore respect for a belief in ghosts (7)
- Had quite enough of disgruntled dates (5)

DOWN

- Erasmus possibly creates friction (7)
- Go off quietly as a thief will do? (5,4)
- Very distant until now (2,3)
- Decay that is breaking up vehicles (6)
- Stop working having become exhausted (3,4)
- It causes obscurity often in banks (3)
- Put out an alert afterwards (5)
- His work is play (9)
- He used to fight in company rated disorderly (7)
- Longed for time to take up study? (7)
- A rule the British once had (6)
- Either way you can play it (5)
- Some characters give autographs (5)
- People said to be waiting for a hint (3)

JUMBLE UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Do you know what time it is? Why would you think I'd want an insurance quote now? Hang up and block that number! The nerve of these guys!

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: LADLE AROMA OSPREY SCULPT Answer: The bottles of soda were on sale for - A DOLLAR A POP



Green Energy Revolution in Uttar Pradesh

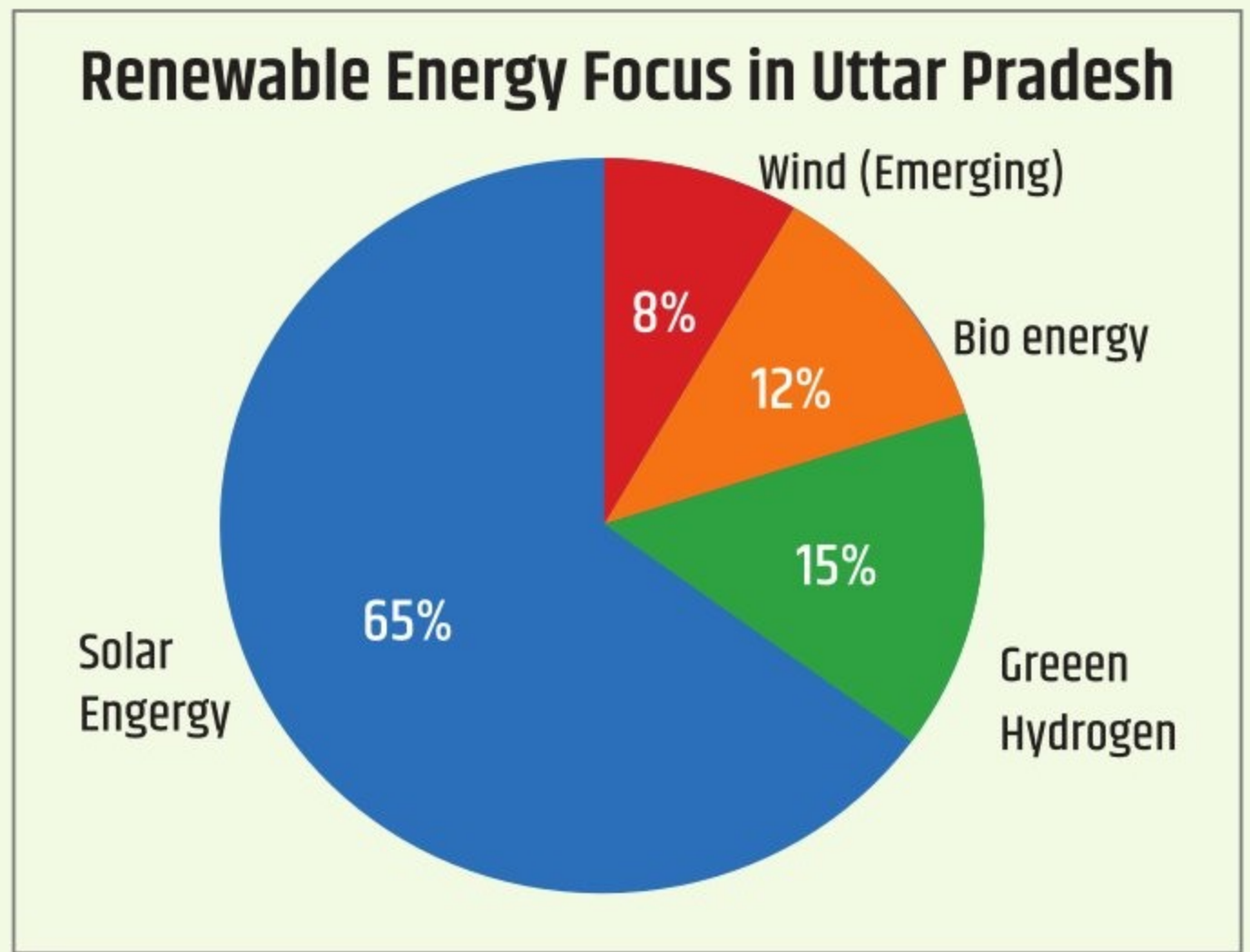
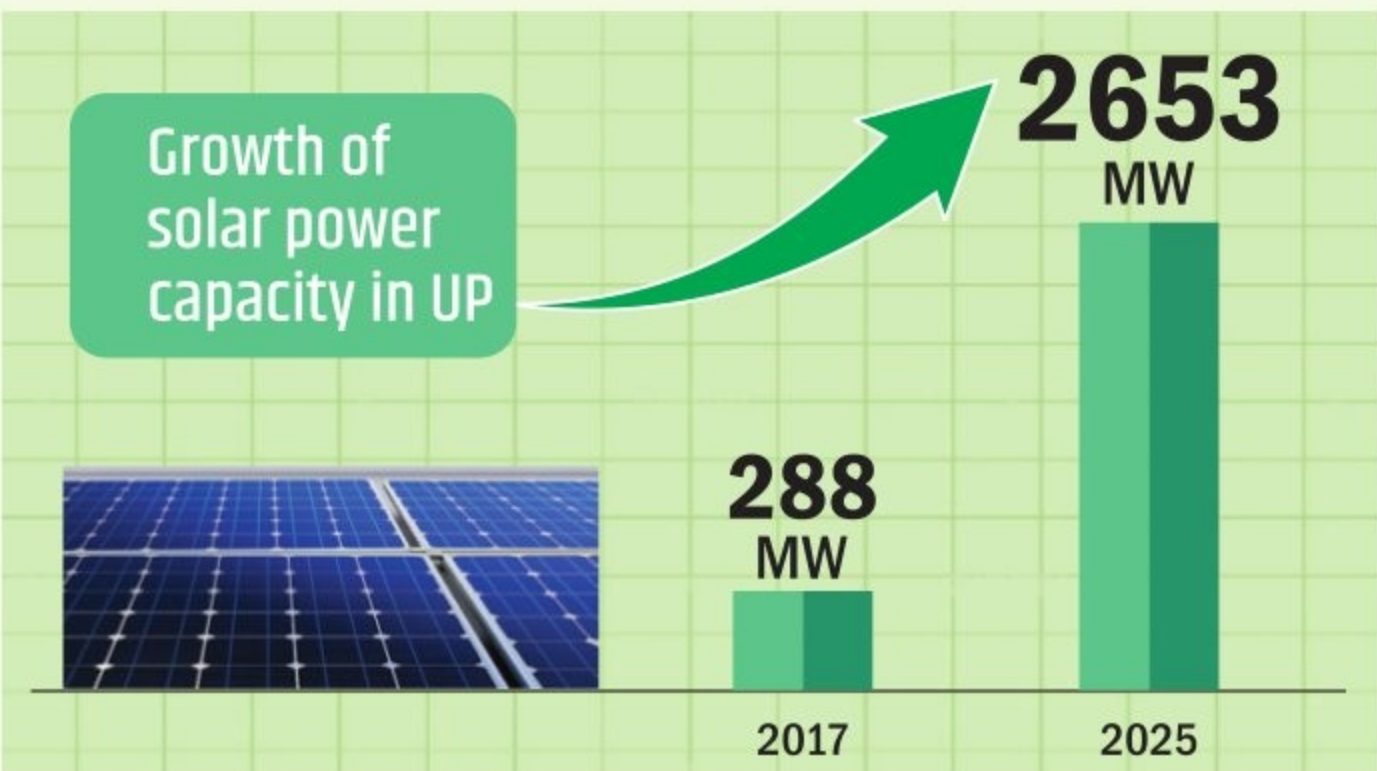
Under the visionary leadership of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, UP is charting an unprecedented path in renewable energy and sustainable development. From a state once grappling with power deficits, UP has emerged as a national leader in solar energy, green hydrogen and green infrastructure, setting ambitious targets and delivering tangible results. Strategic policies, futuristic initiatives like PM Surya Ghar, solar cities and green AI-enabled data centres, coupled with strong global investments, reflect the government's commitment to clean energy-led industrialization, urban sustainability and climate-resilient growth, positioning Uttar Pradesh firmly at the forefront of India's green revolution.



Solar Energy Policy in Uttar Pradesh

Intent, Incentives & Impact

- ❖ UP Solar Energy Policy 2022 formulated to position the state as a national leader in renewable energy
 - ❖ Target: 22,000 MW solar power capacity by 2027-28
 - ❖ Balanced approach covering, Utility-scale solar parks, Rooftop and distributed solar systems, Solarization of agriculture and public infrastructure.
 - ❖ Solar capacity increased nearly tenfold since 2017, from 288 MW in 2017 to 2,653+ MW by 2025
- Policy Incentives:**
- ❖ 100% exemption on stamp duty for solar projects
 - ❖ Electricity duty exemption for 10 years
 - ❖ Open-access power procurement and online single-window clearance



Green Hydrogen Policy

Industrial Opportunities, Innovation & Future Roadmap

- Uttar Pradesh Green Hydrogen Policy launched to support India's Net Zero 2070
- Objective to establish UP as a manufacturing and technology hub for green hydrogen
- First green hydrogen plant inaugurated in Gorakhpur, Carbon emission reduction of approx. 500 tonnes
- Two Centers of Excellence to be established via reputed academic institutions
- 100% government funding up to ₹50 crore per centre

Focus Areas

- Hydrogen production
- Storage and transportation
- Industrial utilization



Startup Incentives:

- Green hydrogen startups to receive ₹25 lakh per year for 5 years
- Mandatory linkage with recognized incubators

Future Roadmap:

- Target of 1 Million Metric Tonnes Per Annum (MMTPA) green hydrogen production by 2029
- Strong alignment with the National Green Hydrogen Mission
- Positioning UP among India's most progressive hydrogen-adopting states

- ❖ Green energy tariff introduced to encourage adoption
- Infrastructure Integration:**
- ❖ Solar installations along expressways including Bundelkhand Expressway
 - ❖ Floating solar projects initiated in Auraiya and Lalitpur

Employment & Skill Development:

- ❖ 30,000 Surya Mitras being trained for installation, operation and maintenance
- Investment Impact:**
- ❖ Renewable sector investments worth ₹4.47 lakh crore received during Global Investors Summit
 - ❖ Emergence of UP as a preferred destination for solar manufacturing and development

PM Surya Ghar Yojana in UP

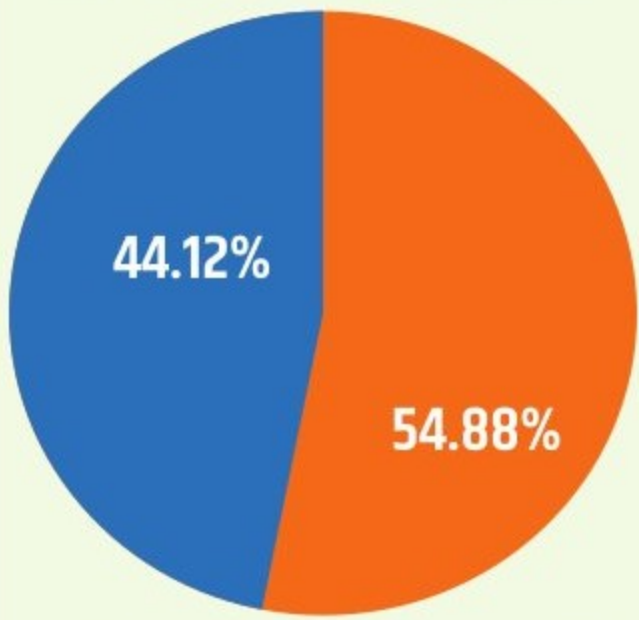
Household Benefits, Rooftop Potential & Targets

- Flagship initiative to promote rooftop solar adoption at the household level
- Ranked No. 1 in India in rooftop solar installations
- Over 1,000 MW (1 GW) rooftop solar capacity achieved
- 3.53 lakh+ homes already solar-powered
- 10.76 lakh+ applications received
- Significant reduction in monthly electricity bills
- Net metering enables income from surplus power
- Energy security and price stability

- 8 lakh rooftop solar installations by 2026-27



PM Surya Ghar Yojna - Household Rooftop solar Progress in Uttar Pradesh



Supporting Measures:

- Central and state subsidies
 - Simplified online approvals
 - Technical workforce through Surya Mitras
- Rooftop solar aligned with**
- Urban sustainability
 - Decentralized power generation
 - Reduced transmission losses

Green & Renewable Energy

- Clear vision to transform Uttar Pradesh into India's Green Energy Capital
- Transition from power-deficit to renewable-driven growth model Emphasis on:
Clean energy-led industrialization | Sustainable urban development | Climate-resilient infrastructure

AI City, Lucknow:

- Mandatory use of green energy for data centres
- Solar and green hydrogen as primary power sources
- Green buildings and smart mobility

Solar Cities Initiative:

- Ayodhya declared first solar city
- 17 cities including Varanasi and Gorakhpur planned

Electric Mobility & Manufacturing:

- Electric bus manufacturing hub in Lucknow
- Alignment with PM e-DRIVE, FAME-II and PLI schemes



Solar Panels in Ayodhya

Long-Term Goals:

- Large-scale renewable parks across districts
- Strong PPP model attracting global investors

Strategic Global Investments in Green Infrastructure

Davos 2026 Landmark Investment:

- In January 2026, the Uttar Pradesh government signed a historic \$25 billion (₹2.27 lakh crore) MoU with AM Green at the World Economic Forum, Davos

Hyperscale Green Data Centre:

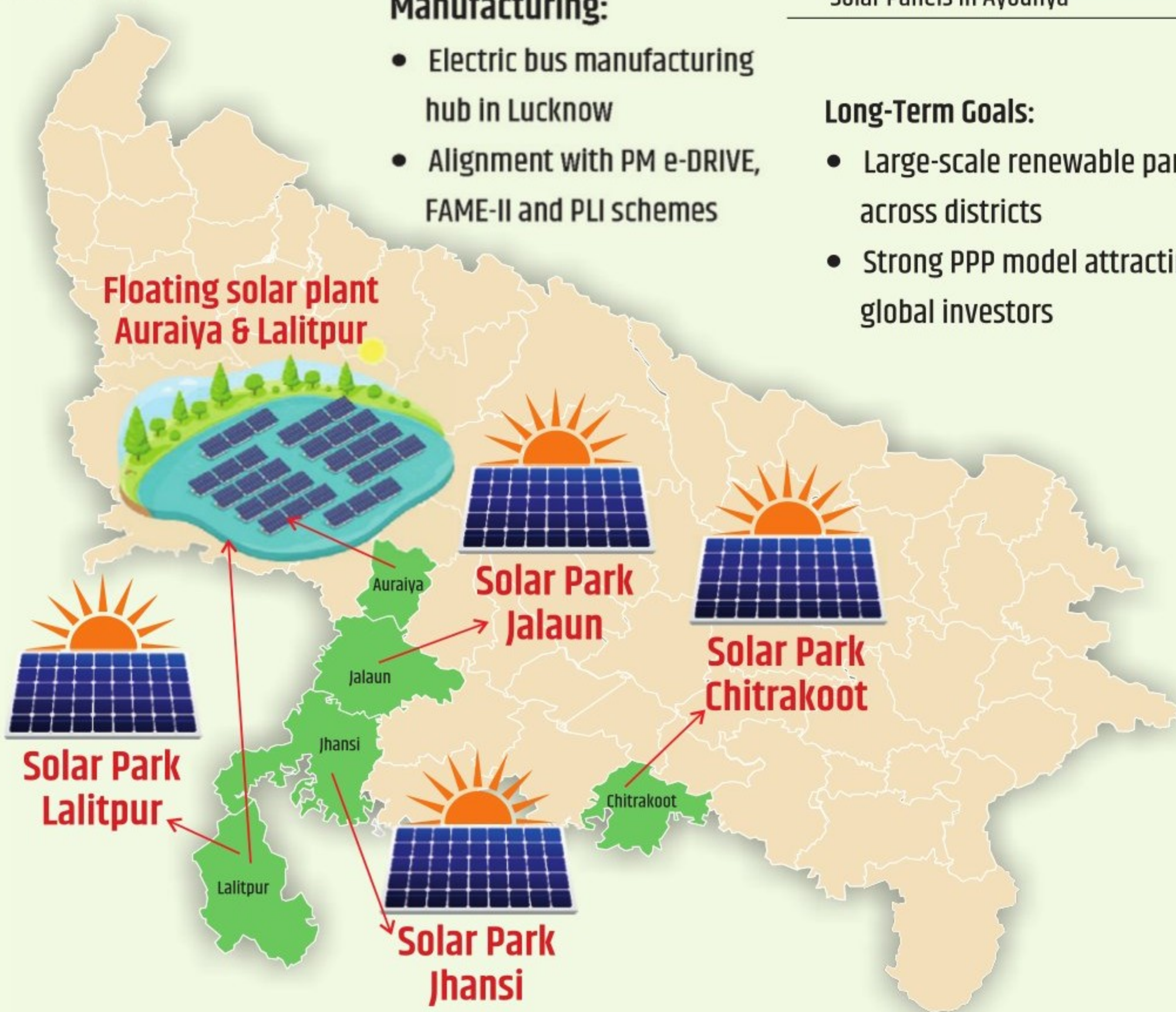
- Development of a 1 GW hyperscale data centre in Greater Noida
- Among the largest green data centre investments in India

24x7 Carbon-Free Energy Commitment:

- Facility to be powered entirely by round-the-clock carbon-free energy
- Energy mix to include, Solar power, Wind energy and Pumped storage solutions

Strategic Significance:

- Reinforces Uttar Pradesh's emergence as a global destination for sustainable digital infrastructure
- Aligns with the state's vision of green AI, green data centres and future-ready industries



KAAM DAMDAAR -DOUBLE ENGINE SARKAR

ADVERTORIAL

CONG, BJP SPAR OVER NEWSPAPER AD CRITICISING VB-G RAM G ACT

Opposition says govt misusing taxpayers' money for advertisement; Priyank defends ad

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Assembly on Thursday witnessed chaotic scenes after BJP members created ruckus over the State Government publishing an advertisement in newspapers opposing the Union Government's VB-G RAM G Act featuring caricatures of Mahatma Gandhi having a conversation with a man named Sangappa, who is depicted wearing a white shirt and khaki trousers.

The Opposition members also staged a walkout.

"How can you (State Government) say something that Mahatma Gandhi did not say? Is this not a violation?" Leader of Opposition R Ashoka said in the Assembly, targeting the Congress government.

Ashoka said that the advertisement was issued by the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department. "We do not have any issue if they had given advertisements using Congress funds. But this is taxpayers' money. Also, you have used words that were not said by Ma-



Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Leader of Opposition R Ashoka in a heated discussion in the Legislative Assembly on Thursday | EXPRESS



hatma Gandhi. Has Gandhi ever said to name schemes and projects after him? He had even said to dissolve the Congress. Did that happen? He was also against alcohol consumption, but the State Government has given more licenses to sell liquor. Are you not insulting Gandhi then?" Ashoka asked the government.

He further slammed the government, saying that people pay taxes to get water, better

roads, and waste management and not for advertisements.

State BJP president and Shikaripura MLA BY Vijayendra said that the advertisement was misleading the public. "The Centre has made it clear that gram sabhas will decide on the works to be implemented. But the advertisement says otherwise," he said.

Gandhi wanted the country to be defecation-free, and it was PM Narendra Modi who took

steps to build 1.5 crore toilets in the country, Vijayendra added.

In his reply, RDPR and IT/BT Minister Priyank Kharge said that the issue of MGNREGA is people's problems and the government has used people's money. "What has the Central Government done? We pay more tax. They need our money, our capacity to develop Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, and other states. The Centre is running on our money," Priyank said. Speaker UT Khader adjourned the House twice following the ruckus.

Later in the day, the BJP released a caricature in which Mahatma Gandhi and Dr BR Ambedkar are seen questioning Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Deputy CM DK Shivakumar, ministers Laxmi Hebbalkar and Priyank Kharge, and others on the alleged MUDA scam, Gruha Lakshmi, MGNREGA, and other schemes.

The Congress government and the opposition are up in arms over the Centre repealing the UPA-era MGNREGA with the VB-G RAM G Act.

Hariprasad's 'foot' statement sets off uproar in Upper House

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Congress MLC BK Hariprasad addresses the Council on Thursday | EXPRESS

"SHOULD I have shown my foot instead of hands?" Congress MLC BK Hariprasad retorted to BJP MLC DS Arun, who questioned why he had shown his hands and behaved disrespectfully towards Governor Thaaawarchand Gehlot. Hariprasad's statement led to heated arguments, and the Opposition demanded that he apologise for his comments and be expelled from the Council.

As the Council began on Thursday morning, BJP and JDS members gathered in the well of the House and demanded that Leader of the House NS Boseraju express regret for "condemning" the Governor's speech. This led to a heated exchange of words between ruling and Opposition members.

Condemning Leader of Opposition Chalavadi Narayanaswamy for tearing the Legislative Council rule book in the House on Wednesday, Hariprasad said, "The rule book is like

a Constitution for the Council. I don't need lessons on the Constitution by BJP members who tore the rule book."

MLC Arun said Hariprasad had disrespected the Governor by showing his hands. Irked, Hariprasad asked if he should have shown his foot instead. Opposition members raised slogans against Hariprasad, calling him a 'goonda' and holding him responsible for

the House not functioning. Amid the chaos, Chairman Basavaraj Horatti adjourned the House briefly.

Hariprasad expresses 'regret'

After the House resumed, Horatti read out a complaint he had received from Opposition parties that Hariprasad had used unparliamentary words in the House on January 23, 28 and 29, and sought his explanation. In reply, Hariprasad said his statements were not against the Governor, but a response to MLC Arun. "My reply was for Arun's statement, who took my name, and not against the Governor. We have immense respect for the Governor and Constitution."

Regretting his statements made on January 23 against the BJP and RSS, Hariprasad said they were made in a fit of anger, as he was provoked. The Chairman ordered that the unparliamentary words be expunged from Council records and requested members to maintain the dignity of the Upper House.



BJP and JDS MLCs protest in the well of the Council in Vidhana Soudha on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

IN THE HOUSE

POLICE WILL TRACE ILLEGAL BANGLADESHI IMMIGRANTS: RAMALINGA REDDY

BENGALURU: The police department will take up a drive to trace illegal Bangladeshi immigrants and deport them to their country, besides sending agents in Karnataka behind bars, Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy said here on Thursday. He also warned pro-Hindu activists not to take the law into their own hands in tracing illegal immigrants. Answering senior MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal's question on the issue in the assembly, Reddy clarified that the police department has not harassed pro-Hindu activists who gave information to the government on illegal immigrants. There were 370 illegal immigrants of whom 213 were deported and action against the remaining 157 is under way as they have been placed in foreign detention centres in connection with various cases. Yatnal said there were over 25 lakh illegal immigrants. Hitting back, Reddy clarified that migrants from northeastern states are being mistaken for Bangladeshis. "Illegal immigrants sneak in through the borders of Bihar and West Bengal. Why has the Centre not taken action to check infiltration?" he questioned. Yatnal clarified that he does not differentiate between the Centre and state governments when it comes to security of the nation, and any government can take action.

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Council disrupted for 3rd straight day

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PROCEEDINGS of the Legislative Council were disrupted for the third consecutive day on Thursday. While opposition members from the BJP and the JD(S) stood firm that the Leader of the Floor, NS Boseraju, express his regret for condemning the Governor's joint session address, the ruling party members said that it was the Governor who insulted the National Anthem.

As the House opened on Thursday, Chairman Basavaraj Horatti urged the members to cooperate for the smooth conduct of business. However, the opposition members gathered in the well while Leader of the Opposition Chalavadi Narayanaswamy demanded that the floor leader express his regret

for condemning the Governor's address, and they would withdraw the protest. Boseraju, who intervened, said that the government is in favour of 'motion of thanks' and they have welcomed the Governor's speech.

Horatti told the protesters, "After the Leader of the House said that he has welcomed the Governor's speech, it indirectly implies that they are not condemning it." He called upon the protesters who were firm that the government express 'regret', to be 'reasonable' and to end the deadlock and let the House continue its business.

However, Narayanaswamy questioned Horatti how 'wel-

coming the speech' would mean that the government has expressed 'regret'. He went on to ask from which dictionary the Chairman derived the meaning. Horatti expressed helplessness and questioned whether the House needed to conduct business or not. Pointing to the tearing of the council's rule book by Narayanaswamy, the ruling party members said it was disrespect to the Chair and the Council and demanded action.

As noisy scenes continued between the ruling and the opposition members, the Chairman adjourned the house till Friday.

After Leader of the House said that he has welcomed the Governor's speech, it indirectly implies that they are not condemning it
Basavaraj Horatti, Council Chairman

NO QUESTION OF QUITTING, SAYS MINISTER KJ GEORGE

Energy Minister KJ George on Thursday said that he will not quit the Siddaramaiah cabinet. He said this during question hour when Opposition legislators sought his clarification citing reports in a section of the media that he will soon resign. George said, "There is no question of me resigning. I have complete faith in Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. Those reports are not true." Criticising the media for spreading "false" news, he said, "News channels need breaking news every hour. So, they publish such false news."

CAG flags smart roads over repeated digging

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THE Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India report has found that in Karnataka, except Bengaluru, the utility ducts provided by the other cities in their smart road projects under the Smart Cities Mission did not provide for certain utility ducts like water supply, sewage network, stormwater drains, high and low tension lines, optical fibre cables and gas pipelines, resulting in frequent digging of the roads for laying and/or maintenance of utility lines.

The report highlighted that seven cities—Bengaluru, Belagavi, Davanagere, Hubballi-Dharwad, Mangaluru, Shivamogga, and Tumakuru—were identified in Karnataka for upgrade as Smart Cities. The projects were to be implemented under two components, including area-based development (ABD) and pan-city. Each city was to prepare its Smart City Proposal (SCP), containing the vision, a plan for mobilising resources, and intended outcomes in terms of infrastructure upgrades and smart applications. As against 135 goals specified in SCPs, the cities achieved 68 goals, partially achieved 43 goals, and 24 goals were not achieved, the report noted. It also found that the cities dropped 160 (30%) of the 544

OTHER OBSERVATIONS

- The audit observed that none of the SPVs had appointed a third-party quality supervision consultant as per the guidelines. Special purpose vehicles were completely dependent on the quality test reports submitted by the contractors
- Non-inclusion of accessible infrastructure for specially-abled persons on roads and footpaths
- Smart cities failed to mobilise financial resources, were mainly dependent on the mission grants

projects originally planned, which was against the instructions of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

Projects such as a bus terminal with multi-utility facility, construction of a flyover, extension of smart class project for PU colleges, and construction of an underpass were dropped, citing reasons like high costs and non-availability of space.

It also noted that, as against Rs 817.42 crore allocation under the pan-city component, projects were taken up for Rs 1,462.67 crore, indicating diversion from ABD to pan-city interventions. The SCP aimed to develop a smart road (a road designed to include smooth vehicular flow, prioritise pedestrian movement, and integrate essential utilities) project as per the TenderSure norms.

'CM has no control over governance'

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@ Bengaluru

BJP leader and Karkala MLA V Sunil Kumar on Thursday said in the Assembly that Siddaramaiah has become a helpless Chief Minister alleging that the he has no control over administration.

Citing the recent raid by Maharashtra police at a drug factory in Mysuru, the CM's home turf, the MLA alleged that the state which was known as IT park has now become a drug park. Speaking on the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's address he alleged that in order to divert the attention of people from its failure the Congress government has resorted to a strategy of entering into a conflict with the Centre. Contractors allege that there is 60 per cent commission and let the government pass a resolution



BJP MLA and former minister V Sunil Kumar makes a point in the Assembly on Thursday | EXPRESS

in this regard, he said.

"If at all there is any government fit to be dismissed it is the

Congress government as corruption has become rampant," he said.

He cited the Congress high command's intervention in the demolition drive of unauthorised houses at Kogilu in Bengaluru following the post of Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan. Siddaramaiah could not rescue his supporter KN Rajanna who was dismissed as minister, he added.

He alleged that the government assumes only the implementation of the five guarantees as development, which however economists have to evaluate. "The government is not concerned about removing Mahatma Gandhi's name from the employment guarantee scheme (MGNREGA) but about the grants ratio (60:40) for VB-G RAM G as it has become bankrupt to fund the scheme", he alleged.

Janardhana wants Siddu to remain CM, turns on DKS

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@ Bengaluru

GANGAVATHI MLA Gali Janardhana Reddy on Thursday made a wish in the Assembly, that Siddaramaiah should continue as Chief Minister for the remaining two years. Taking a dig at Deputy CM DK Shivakumar for standing by MLA Bharath Reddy over the issue of a shootout in Ballari, which killed a Congress worker, Reddy appealed to the CM to order a fair inquiry by a sitting High Court judge.

"Politically you fought against me and I even went to jail, which was my fate. I have no issue with that but I request you to remain the state chief minister to tackle the issues of Ballari and post good officers to ensure no violence recurs," he

suggested. If the CM feels he doesn't want a CBI inquiry, he should initiate an inquiry by a sitting HC judge, he added.

He came down heavily on Shivakumar, saying the latter does not deserve to be the Deputy CM as he has taken the side of the culprits in the Ballari incident. Reddy also took strong exception to Shivakumar suggesting he take private security cover from Iran, US and other countries.

"In Ballari city's every ward are youngsters who have become gangsters, and they want to get rid of me to go ahead with their illegal activities like peddling ganja, matka gambling and illegal clubs," he said. Reddy said the people of Ballari would be grateful to the CM if he takes action against the culprits.

'None of Detailed Project Reports specified completion timeline'

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"EIGHTY per cent of the works were awarded to the contractors without evaluating the financial capability, bid capacity and work experience. This posed the risk of non-completion of the work on time," the report noted. Further, the report noted that 67 per cent of the works of Rs 14,605 crore were awarded to only seven contractors and one contractor was awarded 11 contracts amounting to Rs 5216 crore.

"There has been failure of Visveswaraya Jala Nigam Ltd (VJNL) to forfeit the EMD was an undue favour extended to the contractor," it said.

The audit also flagged instances of undue financial favours to contractors such as non-recovery of excess cost of pipe materials, extra payment for works, premature release of retention money security, irregular advance payments to supply of pipes and other issues. The audit objected to the Yettinahole project's Detailed

Project Report (DPR), which was approved in 2012 and revised in 2014 and 2023. This increased the cost from Rs 8,323.50 crore to Rs 23,251.66 crore. "None of the DPRs specified a completion timeline, with the government only stating in March 2024 that the project would be completed by November 1, 2026." The audit warned that delays could affect drinking water supply to Kolar and Chikkaballapura. The report also noted that VJNL used inflated rainfall data from private

gauge stations to project water availability, which was higher than data from the government gauges located nearby. A comparison of flow data from eight weirs (2018-2023) showed lesser availability of water. Also, the balancing reservoir capacity for summer supply to Kolar and Chikkaballapura was reduced from 10 TMC to 2 TMC. The inaction of government in finalising the proposal for the reservoir has resulted in additional cost of Rs 621 crore for various reasons including

change in guidance value to be paid for land acquisition compensation. According to the report, the project suffered from financial constraints as the government provided only 25 per cent to 54 per cent of the budget requirement. The request of VJNL for availing fresh loans required for completing the project was awaiting approval from the government. This has resulted in financial uncertainty regarding availability of Rs 7,954 crore required for completing the project.

No plans to open HAL airport until 2033, says CMD

PSU to deliver 10 Dhruv NGs to Pawan Hans

S LALITHA @Begumpet

HINDUSTAN Aeronautics Limited (HAL) Chairman and Managing Director MD DK Sunil on Wednesday ruled out resumption of domestic commercial operations in Bengaluru's HAL airport until 2033.

The four-day aviation meet, Wings India 2026, began at Begumpet in Hyderabad on Wednesday. "Since the concessionaire agreement with the Bangalore International Airport Limited that does not permit operations of any other airport within a 150-km radius, we will not be able to open our airport until 2033, when their 15-year agreement concludes."

He said the government-owned helicopter company, Pawan Hans Limited, will buy 10 of its Dhruv Next Generation (NG) helicopters in the near future. The 10 deliveries will happen in the financial year 2026-2027, he said. The MD said, "Civilian footprint has been very small in our portfolio. Almost 97% of our footprint has been in the defence manufacturing side. But as a corporate policy, over the last few years we have made a conscious decision that we need to diversify away from defence and increase the civil component in our sales."

"We have obtained Civil Certification of the Dornier 228 which is the mainstay of our navy, air force and coast guard for their applications. We have got it recertified as Hindustan 228. The certification was is-

sued by the DGCA."

"We have supplied two such aircraft to Guyana and they are flying it in the West Indies. We have signed the contract for two more just recently," Sunil said, "We can see good business there in the West Indies and the archipelago areas like Malaysia, Indonesia and so on."

HAL is also set to get certification of the civil variant of the Dhruv Next Generation (NG) helicopters. "It is a Third Generation Aircraft with a glass cockpit and an engine which is manufactured by the HAL. Recently, we flew the first flight during a function which was attended by the Union Minister for Civil Aviation and we expect to complete the certification in the next couple of months."

"Pawan Hans will deploy the NG aircraft for the offshore operations of ONGC between Mumbai and Bombay High from the 2026-2027 financial year," the Chairman added.

The aircraft has many built-in safety features like terrain awareness and the engine is civil certified. "We see a great opportunity for this helicopter in the BSF (Border Security Force) in the heli-tourism in the Northern sector for evacuation on the highways and so on."

He said the SJ-100 presently showcased in Wings India is a world-class aircraft. "It is filling up the gap for a 100-seater for short-range, regional operations. Manufacture of this aircraft will start within the next three years," he added.



FEATHER IN THE CAP

TNIE special correspondent Karthik KK (extreme right) awarded for Best Defence Report by Alpha Lead Academy for his report 'Mysuru to Siachen: Captain Supreetha breaks barrier' in Mysuru, on Thursday. With Karthik are seen (from left) Mysuru District Journalists Association president K Deepak, Group Captain Vinay Vittal (ret'd) and Academy founder Group Captain Abhinav Chaturvedi (ret'd)

Lokayukta cops' raid on KAS officer unearths ₹26.55cr DA

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THE Lokayukta police raid on the properties of Assistant Commissioner Tejesh Kumar N in Bengaluru and other places unearthed Rs 26.55 crore in assets disproportionate to his known sources of income. This is said to be the biggest volume of disproportionate assets uncovered by the anti-corruption watchdog in recent days.

According to an official statement, Tejesh Kumar, who was transferred as manager to the forest department in Shivamogga but is yet to report to duty,

was found allegedly in possession of Rs 25.63 crore in immovable assets. It includes four sites, eight houses and 14 acres of agricultural land. He also owned movable assets of Rs 92.50 lakh, including vehicles worth Rs 92 lakh in total.

The search was conducted simultaneously by the Lokayukta police at the office and residences of the accused and his relatives at more than five places.

Cop caught taking ₹4L bribe

The Lokayukta police caught a police inspector attached to the KP Agrahara police station red-

handed while accepting a bribe of Rs 4 lakh on Thursday.

According to the Lokayukta police, complainant Mohammed Akbar (42) was accused in a cheating case related to a chit fund and Inspector Govindraju allegedly demanded money to help him in the case. The inspector had earlier collected Rs 1 lakh from Akbar and was demanding additional money.

On Thursday, around 4.30 pm, Lokayukta police caught the inspector while he was accepting a bribe of Rs 4 lakh at the Chamarajpet City Armed Reserve ground. A case has been registered against him.

EXPRESS READ

Actor Mayur Patel booked for drunk driving, crashing into vehicles in Domlur

Bengaluru: Kannada actor Mayur Patel was booked for allegedly driving under the influence of alcohol and crashing into vehicles waiting at a traffic signal near the Command Hospital in Domlur around 10 pm on Wednesday night. Patel while heading home, allegedly lost control of the speeding vehicle and rammed into a car from behind, triggering a chain collision involving three vehicles. A breath analyser test returned a positive result. The SUV's insurance had lapsed at the time of the accident. Srinivas, a cab driver, filed a case, at the Halasuru Traffic Police Station. The SUV was seized. **ENS**

State police to get mandatory leave approval on birthdays, wedding anniversaries

Bengaluru: Karnataka police personnel will be granted leave on their birthdays and wedding anniversaries. Director General and Inspector General of Police M A Saleem issued a circular directing all unit heads to ensure that leaves on these occasions get mandatory approved. Granting leave on these special days helps officers and staff rejuvenate emotionally, spend quality time with their families, and maintain a healthy balance between professional and personal life, said the circular. It also said that police personnel work under challenging conditions to ensure public safety and the enforcement of law and order. **ENS**

2 construction workers die as lift collapses

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TWO construction workers died after a lift collapsed at an under-construction building on Balagere Road, within the Varthur police station limits, on Wednesday evening.

The deceased were identified as Sathya Kumar (24), a lift operator from Bihar, and Muttappa (20), a lift mechanic from Madikeri. Both were daily-wage labourers employed by SS VR Construction.

According to the police, the incident occurred around 5 pm while the workers were installing a lift in the building. A material supply lift reportedly collapsed, causing the two men to fall from a height. They died on the spot. Police rushed to the spot and conducted a preliminary inspection. On Thursday, Kumar's wife filed a complaint against contractor Sudeer and the site engineer.



Air Commodore SB Arunkumar receives the trophy from the Prime Minister on Wednesday | EXPRESS

Karnataka-Goa NCC bags PM banner, trophy

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NATIONAL Cadet Corps (NCC), Karnataka and Goa Directorate, has won the Prime Minister's banner and trophy at the Republic Day Camp in New Delhi for the second consecutive year. The PM's banner and trophy were formally received by Air Commodore SB Arunkumar, Deputy Director General, NCC Directorate, Karnataka and Goa, on Wednesday.

"Being crowned the champion in directorate for the second consecutive year is a testament to professionalism, resilience, and never-say-die spirit of our cadets and staff," he said.

Air Commodore Arunkumar lauded the governments of Karnataka and Goa, and universities and educational institutions of the two states for their support to the directorate. Seventeen directorates participated in the camp. The Karnataka and Goa Directorate

emerged overall champions in drill, firing and cultural competitions. The PM's banner and trophy are awarded to a directorate that demonstrates consistent performance in a wide spectrum of NCC activities throughout the year. Evaluation parameters include performance in centrally organised camps and competitions, standards of discipline, results in NCC certificate examinations, and the number of cadets selected for the armed forces.

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E-AUCTION NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal only)

Chief Administrative Officer, Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bangalore Invites Tender from eligible tenderers through the e-procurement portal of Govt. of Karnataka at <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> from Nationalized Banks for callable Fixed / term Deposits of **Rs. 8,50,00,000/- (approximate) / Bulk Deposits for one year.** (DME/2025-26/Auction 50)
Last date to upload the Declaration in Annexure-A in the e-portal: **10.02.2026**. Live bidding for interest rates : **12.02.2026 Between 11:00 to 12:00 hrs.**
The detailed terms and conditions of the E-Auction can be downloaded from the e-portal of the GOK at <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>
Sd/-
Chief Administrative Officer / Tender Inviting Authority. IGICH

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(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property)

SALE NOTICE
E-Auction Sale Notice For Sale Of Immovable Properties The Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 Read With Rules 8(6) & 9 Of The Security Interest (enforcement) Rules 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Ganganagar Branch, of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 04.03.2026 & 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM for recovery of below mentioned amount.

E-AUCTION DATE: 04.03.2026

Borrower(s): (1) Ms. Manjula H R (Borrower/Mortgagor/Partner), No.11, 7th Cross, 5th Main, Ganganagar, Bengaluru-560032. (2) Ms. Sarala H R (Co-Borrower), The Taj West End Race Course Road, Bengaluru-560001. (3) Mr. Ravi.H.R (Guarantor), # 1520, 21st Cross, 12th Main, B Block Sahakarnagar, Bengaluru-560032. (4) M/s Designpreneur (Borrower), Door No.11, Rajguru Krishnappa Block, 5th Main, 7th Cross, Ganganagar Extension, Bengaluru-560032. (5) Shreedhar Bellandur Rudrappa (Partner), Flat No.5 4/1, 7th Cross, 5th Main, Krishnappa Block, Ganganagar, RT Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560032.

Total liabilities : Rs.-1,16,70,398.26 (Rupees One Crore Sixteen LakhSeventy Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Eight and paise Twenty Six Only) as on 28.01.2026 plus further interest @ 11.10% pa compounded monthly from 29.01.2026 and cost.

Reserve Price: Rs.3,00,10,000/- EMD: Rs. 30,01,000/- Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before: 03.03.2026 up to 4.00 PM.

Details and full description of the property (ies) :

SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing site No.11 (Old No.23), PID No.98-88-11, situated at 7th cross, 5th Main, Krishnappa Block, Ganganagar, Bangalore now coming under the limits of BBMP ward No.98, measuring East to West 30 ft and North to South 50 ft in all measuring 1500 sqft and bounded on : East by : Property No.13, West by : Property No.9, North by : Property No.8, South by : Road.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For further details contact Mr. Pramod Kumar Singh, Authorized Officer, Regional Office North, Canara Bank. (Ph.No.6366371379), Mr. Varun Sethi, Divisional Manager, Ganganagar Branch, Mob No.8284897179, Email id roblmrc@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) through the website <https://BAANKNET.COM/> (Contact No. 7046612345/6354910172/829122020/9892219848/160205051, Email:support.ebkray@psballiance.com/ support.ebkray@procure247.com) during office hours on any working day.

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Notice Inviting e-Tender

Office of the EE (Solar), "Ujjwal", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S Road, UJVN Ltd., Dehradun, invites Online tariff based competitive bids (RIP) of 60 MW/150 MWh stand-alone Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) on BOOT basis in three packages under VGF Scheme through PSDF from interested parties. Summary of Bid (RIP) documents are given below:

Bid Identification Nos.: (i) T-04/EE(Solar)/2025-26 (ii) T-05/EE(Solar)/2025-26 (iii) T-06/EE(Solar)/2025-26.

Name of the Work: 1-Setting-up of 30 MW/75 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) near Dhakrani HEP, District-Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
2- Setting-up of 15 MW/37.5 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) near Tiloth HEP, District-Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand
3- Setting-up of 15 MW/37.5 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) near Khatima HEP, District- Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand

Date for availability of bid document on the portal: 02-02-2026 from 17:00 Hrs.
Last Date /Time of Receipt of bid on the portal: 25-02-2026 till 16:00 Hrs.
Detail of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/cancellation etc. may be obtained from the website.
Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal <http://uktenders.gov.in>.
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(A Government of India Undertaking)

Ulsoor Branch
No.11/12, Cambridge Road, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008

POSSESSION NOTICE
APPENDIX IV - Rule 8 (1) 13(4) (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Bank of Baroda, Ulsoor Branch, Bengaluru, under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 03.11.2025 calling upon the Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors/ Guarantors, 1.Mrs.Ravikala Shetty W/o Mr.A.B Chinnappa No.2 ESI Hospital Quarters, Double road, Indiranagar, Bengaluru-560038. 2.Mr.A. B. Chinnappa S/o A. S. Bheemaiiah No.2 ESI Hospital Quarters, Double road, Indiranagar, Bengaluru-560038, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.10,07,647.73 Paise** (Rupees Ten Lakhs Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Seven and Paise Seventy Three Only) as on 27.10.2025 inclusive of interest upto 28.10.2025 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 28 January 2026

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for an amount Rs.10,07,647.73 Paise (Rupees Ten Lakhs Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Seven and Paise Seventy Three Only) as on 27.10.2025 inclusive of interest upto 28.10.2025 together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

"We further invite your attention to sub section (8) of section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you may redeem the secured assets, if the amount of dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is tendered by you, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction/inviting quotations/tender/private treaty. Please note that after publication of the notice as above, your right to redeem the secured assets will not be available."

Description of the Property

Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Site No.B9-SC-1989 Layout formed by BDA Layout known as Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout, Situated at Kenchanapura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore measuring East to West 9 mtrs and North to South 12Mtrs. And Bounded On East by: Road, West by: Site No 2012 & 2013, North by: Site No.1990, South by: Site No.1988.

Date : 28.01.2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Bengaluru Bank of Baroda

DEPARTMENT FOR THE EMPOWERMENT OF DIFFERENTLY ABLED AND SENIOR CITIZENS
Podium Block, V.V.Tower, Ground Floor, Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore 560 001. Telephone No. 080-22866066, 080-22866046
Email Address: dirdwdscka@gmail.com, dir-dwds-ka@nic.in

No: DWDSC/2025-26/IND0125 Dated: 27.01.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement only)

Tender is invited by the Director, Department for the Empowerment of Differently Aabled and Senior Citizens, under e-Procurement platform/e-portal in two parts (i.e., Technical bid and Financial bid) from the original manufacturers or their authorized dealers for the supply of Battery Operated Wheelchairs for the Persons with Orthopedically Handicapped for the year 2025-26 to the Department for Empowerment of Differently Aabled and Senior Citizens. The interested bidders may see further details and may login into the website: www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in

The tender can be submitted on or before 10-02-2026 till 5:00 PM. The technical bid will be opened on 11-02-2026 at 5:30 PM and the financial bid will be opened on 13-02-2026 at 04:30 PM. Department reserves all rights to accept, reject, incorporate changes and re-tender without giving any reasons. For more details contact Department for the Empowerment of Differently Aabled and Senior Citizens, Podium Block, V.V.Tower, 6th floor, Dr. B.R.Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru-560001, Phone No:080-22866066, 22860907. For more info please see department website www.dwdsc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/-
Director,
Department for the Empowerment of Differently Aabled and Senior Citizens, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/5268/ Zen/2025-26

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. DIVISION, GADAG.
Phone No : 08372-238782 Fax No. 08372-237268
E.Mail : eeppwdgad@gmail.com
No: EEPWDGDGP PB- 1 2 3 :Diferent Head : 2025-26/4743
Dated:- 28-01-2026

Tender Notification

The Executive Engineer, Public works department, Division,Gadag invites itemwise tenders from eligible tenderers of 28 work of total amount of Rs. 2610.00 Lakh (Min estimate amount: Rs. 05.00 Lakhs to Max Estimate Amount: 100.00 Lakhs) for the Different Head of account on behalf of the Hon'able Governor of Karnataka as per Standard Bid Document KW- 1 and 3, through <http://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in/>

Work Indent No : Part-1 : 32751, 32754, 32755- Category-2A, 32757, 32758- Category-2A, 32759, 32761, 32763-SC, 32764 SC, 32765 SC, 32770, 32771-ST, 32772, 32773-SC, 32774, 32775, 32776, 32777, 32778, 32779, 32780 - Category-2A, 32781-Category-I, 32782, 32783-SC, 32784 - Category-2A, and 32785.

(a) Last Date for Clarification up to : 16-02-2026 (b) Last Date for Receipt of Tenders : 17-02-2026 Noon 4.00 PM (c) Opening of Technical /Financial Bid Date : 18-02-2026 Opening of Financial Bid Date : 19-02-2026

Work Indent No : Part-2 : 32422, and 32432

(a) Last Date for Clarification up to : 07-02-2026 (b) Last Date for Receipt of Tenders : 09-02-2026 Noon 4.00 PM (c) Opening of Technical /Financial Bid Date : 10-02-2026

GST shall be paid separately as per prevailing Government Order. The increase in GST shall not be paid in the extended period of contract for which the contractor alone is responsible for delay as determined by the authority while granting the extension of time.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, P.W.D. Division, Gadag.

DIPR/Gadag/KSMCA/592/2025-26

Government of Karnataka
TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT
Office of the Regional Transport Officer,
Anjanapura, Bangalore (South).

No. RTO./BNG(S)/EST-2/PR-1/2025-26 Date:28.01.2026

e-Tender Notification

Tender is invited by Transport Department from the eligible firms for shifting of Regional Transport Office, Jayanagar, Bangalore situated at 2nd Floor,TTMC Building, Jayanagar, 4th Block, Bangalore to O/o Regional Transport Officer, Bangalore (South), Anjanapura, No.64/1, Uttarahalli Hobli, JP Nagar, 9th phase, Bangalore-560108 Tender along with necessary documents shall be submitted on-line through e-Procurement platform only. For more details please log on to e-proc website www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in Tenderers may take assistance from e-Procurement help desk at 080-46010000/ 080-68948777. Last date for submission of Quotation is 13.02.2026 upto 5.15 P.M. For Clarifications please contact: 080-26630989/9449864005
"Approved by the Joint Commissioner for Transport", Bangalore(Urban)

Sd/-
Regional Transport Officer,
Anjanapura, Bangalore (South)

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State govt keeps fingers crossed for Union Budget

Govt may lose ₹3,000cr under 15th Finance Commission, as local body polls not held

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka government is keeping its fingers crossed for the announcements made in the Union Budget on February 1, particularly clauses pertaining to the 16th Finance Commission, in sanctioning funds to panchayats and urban local bodies.

The State does not want to lose its share of around Rs 3,000 crore under the 15th Finance Commission, which is yet to be cleared and released. One of the important clauses of the 15th Finance Commission recommendations reads that the amount must be utilised by elected representatives in zilla and taluk panchayats and urban local bodies for executing listed works. Simply put, with panchayat and corporation elections not being held, the money will not be released.

“The funds have been withheld because the state government has not held panchayat and Bengaluru urban local body elections. The term of the 15th Finance Commission ends on March 31, 2026. By that time if elections are not held, the money will be not released by the Centre. The State will then stand to lose around Rs 3,000 crore permanently,” explained a finance expert from the State government.

Dr C Narayanswamy, chairman of the 5th Karnataka State Finance Commission, said dis-

cussions with the Central Finance Commission have been held thrice so far.

Many suggestions and recommendations have been made for constitution of the 16th Finance Commission, one of them highlighting the amendment of this clause, Dr Narayanswamy said.

“We are now hoping that this recommendation is included in the Union Budget on February 1, failing which corporations and panchayats will lose out on their share of funds. It is not fair to penalise panchayats and urban local bodies. Conducting elections is the duty of the State Election Commission and State government. Development work in panchayat and corporation limits should not be affected,” he said.

Sources in the state finance commission added that other methods of penalising the State government for delaying elections were also recommended. One was to cut grants or funds given to the State government under various Central schemes, or reduce the share of Central government funds to state projects like Metro, Suburban Rail and others.

The State government is also hoping for additional funds for panchayats and Bengaluru in particular, keeping in mind the growth of Bengaluru city and support the panchayats are offering in it.



Online betting case: ED attaches ₹177cr assets of Cong MLA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Bengaluru Zonal Office, on Thursday issued a Provisional Attachment Order (PAO) in the illegal online betting and gambling activities case involving Congress MLA KC Veerendra and his associates, under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA).

Under PAO, assets worth around Rs 177.3 crore have been provisionally attached. These include immovable properties from agricultural land to residential sites along with other movable assets derived directly from the proceeds of crime (PoC) generated out of illegal

online betting/gambling operations, according to a press release issued here on Thursday.

ED launched an investigation on the basis of multiple FIRs registered in several states under various Sections of IPC, which are scheduled offences under PMLA.

“The FIRs pertain to cheating, impersonation and extortion of the general public through illegal online betting websites, including ‘King567’ and other associated platforms. Subsequent findings have uncovered that Veerendra and his associates are behind a nationwide illegal online betting network,” the ED said.

“The investigation has established that the accused gener-

ated substantial PoC by duping the public through online betting and impersonation scams. In the scheme, unsuspecting players were induced to stake money on rigged illegal gaming websites, which were in the nature of online casinos. Their deposits (running into crores of rupees in aggregate) were collected via payment gateways



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into designated payment aggregator accounts. The victims were initially shown fake winnings to build trust, and then eventually blocked from withdrawals. Investigation has revealed use of hundreds of mule accounts and several payment gateways for laundering of proceeds of crime,” the ED said.

Earlier, the agency conducted extensive search and seizure operations at more than 60 premises in several states under Section 17 of PMLA. Large quantities of cash, gold bullion, gold and silver jewellery, vehicles, digital devices and incriminating documents were seized.

ED officers had arrested Veerendra under Section 19 of PMLA. A prosecution com-

plaint was filed before the Special PMLA Court.

“On the basis of material evidence gathered during investigation, ED has provisionally attached assets held directly and indirectly by Veerendra, which are reasonably believed to be PoC and properties involved in money laundering. With this, the ED has attached assets worth more than Rs 320 crore in the present case under PMLA. Further, during the course of investigation, PoC exceeding Rs 2,300 crore have been identified so far, which were generated through illegal online betting and gambling activities and subsequently laundered through multiple layers of transactions,” the ED said.

Private practice: Errant govt doctors to face legal action

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A day after imposing a strict ban on government doctors treating in-patients at private hospitals, the authorities have warned of strict enforcement of the order. Any breach would be treated as a misconduct under the Karnataka Civil Services Rules, inviting disciplinary and legal action, said Under Secretary Sripathi PK.

Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao said, “The doctors must continuously monitor in-patient departments in the government hospitals. However, their quality of service is dropping because of their attention getting divided between their government duties and private practice. Even the Karnataka Administrative Reforms Committee has recommended restricting private

practices by doctors attached to government hospitals.”

“The government doctors can work as consultants in the OPDs at private hospitals. However, this must be done only after their working hours at the government hospitals. They must also furnish the details of their working at private practices. If they don’t, action will be taken,” Rao said.

Dr Sharan Prakash Patil, the medical education minister and a medical practitioner by himself, said, “This will help



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— Dinesh Gundu Rao, Health Minister

the patients in the government hospitals better. No government doctor should consider private practice during working hours.”

The order cites repeated complaints from statutory authorities, including the Lokayukta, pointing to instances where neglect of government hospital patients – linked to private in-patient commitments – has allegedly led to serious lapses and even deaths. The Karnataka Administrative Reforms Commission has also recommended tighter regulation to ensure government doctors give priority to public service, he said.

The government noted that similar curbs are already in force in many states, where private practice is allowed only for OPD services under strict conditions. The latest clarification signals a decisive shift from tolerance to enforcement.

Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd (FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)				
Registered Office : No. 769, Spencer Place, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600002.				
POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)				
Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFESI) Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [Rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the below mentioned Borrowers to repay the total outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Since the below mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the below stated amount within the stipulated time, notice is hereby given to the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule mentioned properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited and further interest and other charges thereon. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets."				
SR NO	Name of the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Possession taken date
1	BRANCH - Peenya Loan No. - SEPEY0030442 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Shivakumar B K Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Nagarathnamma	Immovable Property Bearing Old Sy.No.15/2, New Sy.No.15/6, Measuring 0.012 Guntas, Situated At Budihal Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist., North By : Land Belongs To Sy.No.15/2A South By : Land Belongs To Block 1, East By : Land Belongs To Block 1, West By : Land Belongs To Block 1.	30.10.2025 & 174848	24.01.2026
2	BRANCH - B.G. Road Loan No. - SEBGR00399470 /20000205840 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Lakshmi Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Chandrashekar R	All that Piece and Parcel of Immovable Property Bearing No.152, Survey No.33, Situated at Hatturu Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, Measuring East to West 25 Ft And North to South 30.1/2, Totally 762.5 Sq. Ft. North - Property of Chaluvarma South - Property of Radhamma East - KHB Land West - Road	13.09.2025 & 1101172	24.01.2026
3	BRANCH - Kanakpura Loan No. - SEIBN00467090/7051014297071 BORROWER - Mr/Mrs Jayashela Co-Borrower - Mr/Mrs Moganna, Mr/Mrs Ashokkumar A S	All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing, Property No. 836/482, PID No.152900202900400322, Measuring East to West 12.19 mtrs(40 feet) and North to South 9.11 mtrs(30 feet) in totally measuring 111.48 Sq.mtrs(1200 Sq.ft), Situated at Sathanuru village, Comes under sathanuru village panchayth, Kanakapura taluk, Bangalore District. North - Government Road South -House of Maniyachari East - House of Abdul sathar Sab West - Government Road	13.09.2025 & 1029081	24.01.2026
Date - 30.01.2026, Place - Bangalore Authorized officer , Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd				

STATE BANK OF INDIA	
HOME LOAN CENTRE, WHITEFIELD	
No. 117, Ground Floor, Neil Rao Towers, Road No. 3, EPIP Phase 1, Whitefield Road, Bengaluru - 560 066.	
Tel : 080-28411010/1020, E-Mail : sbi.17753@sbi.co.in	
DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWERS	
NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT')	
A notice is hereby given that the following Borrowers/Mortgagors 1) Sri. G. Lakshmanan S/o. Sri. A. Govindarajulu & 2) Smt. L. Amudha W/o. Sri. G. Lakshmanan have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loan account have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notice were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned unreserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.	
1) Name and Address of the Borrowers : 1. Sri G. Lakshmanan S/o. Sri. A. Govindarajulu, # 51, 2nd Cross, Narayanamma Layout, Naganathapura, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560100. Also at (i) No. 005, Block A, Ground Floor, Sri Vandana Marvels Apartment, 3rd Cross, Kaveri Layout, Kudulu, Bangalore-560068. 2. Smt. L. Amudha W/o. Sri. G. Lakshmanan, # 40, 2nd Street, Lakshmanamma Layout, Banaswadi, Kalyanagar, Bangalore-560043. Also at : (i) No. 005, Block A, Ground Floor, Sri Vandana Marvels Apartment, 3rd Cross, Kaveri Layout, Kudulu, Bangalore-560068.	
A/c No. : HL 37802080335 Demand Notice: 31.12.2025 NPA Date : 29.12.2025	
Amount outstanding (As on the date of notice) : Rs. 26,12,153/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Twelve Thousand One Hundred Fifty Three Only) as on 30.12.2025. You are also liable to pay further interest at the contractual rate from 31.12.2025 on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.	
Description of the Property : Schedule A Property : All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Sy. No. 58/24 (Old No. 58/10), [converted from agricultural to non-agricultural purpose vide Conversion Certificate bearing No. ALN(A)SH. SR212/2011-12 dated 15.05.2012, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District], BBMP Katha No. 59/ Sy. No. 58/24, situated at Kudlu Village, Sarapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, now coming under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, measuring about 28.675 Guntas out of 39 3/4 Guntas and bounded on : East by : Road and land belonging to Sri. Srinivasa Reddy (Sy. No. 58/22) and remaining portion of land bearing Sy. No. 58/24 (Old No. 58/10) measuring 11 guntas belongs to Anitha & Manjunath Reddy, West by : Land belonged to Sri. Krishna Reddy (Sy. No. 58/8), North by : Land belonged to Smt. Nallamma (Sy. No. 58/9), South by : Land belonged to Sri. Puttappa (Sy. No. 58/7).	
Schedule B Property : 304.33 Sq. feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule A above.	
Schedule C Property : Flat bearing No. 005, Block - A in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1181 Sq. feet super built up area, containing Two bedrooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase etc, in the multistoried residential building known as "SRI VANDANA MARVEL" constructed over Schedule A Property, standing jointly in the names of Sri.G. Lakshmanan S/o. Sri. A. Govindarajulu and Smt. L. Amudha W/o. Sri. G. Lakshmanan.	
Sale Deed dated 11.07.2018 has been registered in favour of Sri.G.Lakshmanan S/o Sri.A Govindarajulu and Smt. L. Amudha W/o Sri.G Lakshmanan in Book No.1 under Document No. ABL-1-02319-2018-19 stored in CD No.ABLD321 at the Office of Sub Registrar, Attibele, Anekal Taluk on 12.07.2018	
The steps are being taken for substituted security of notice. The above Borrowers /Mortgagors are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.	
The Borrowers /Mortgagors attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.	
Date : 31.12.2025 Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager	
Place : Bengaluru State Bank of India, Home Loan Centre Whitefield, Bengaluru.	

The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking

(OF THE BRIHANMUMBAI MAHANAGARPALIKA)

TENDER NOTICE

E-tenders are invited for the supply of following items.

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Re – invited e-tenders

(3) 81199, (4) 81206 (Corrigendum).

Note: For more details, log on to website <https://mahatenders.gov.in>

PRO/AAM(M)/116/2026 GENERAL MANAGER

Fortis HOSPITAL

Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru

Notice: DISPOSAL OF HOSPITAL MEDICAL RECORDS

In patient Medical Records From (IP No.234501 to 5060/20) 01/03/2019 To 28/02/2020 will be destroyed. Whosoever interested can contact the Medical Records Department to collect their records within one month from the date of this notification.

Note: Not applicable for Medico Legal Case, Death, Birth & Paediatric Medical Records

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY / e-Tender Notice

Tender No : 26/2025-26/KWA/PHC/D1/TVM-R11

JIM-CWSS to Pallickkal Madavoor and Navaikulam Panchayaths-Phase II-Design, Construction, Commissioning and Maintenance of 20.00LL OHSR at Decentmukku in Navaikulam Panchayath in Thiruvananthapuram District-General Civil Work. EMD : Rs. 2,00,000/-, Tender fee : Rs. 13,010/-. Last Date for submitting Tender : 19-02-2026 03:00-pm, Phone : 0471-2322303

Website: www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in

KWA- JB-GL-6-657-2025-26 Superintending Engineer, PH Circle, Thiruvananthapuram

THE MYSORE ELECTRICAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

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NOTIFICATION

RAW MATERIALS, COPPER FLAT, HARDWARE, TURNED COMPONENTS, ELECTRICAL ITEMS, SHEETS, METERS, FABRICATION AND CTS ETC.

Calendar of Events: (1) Publishing of documents by e-Procurement cell: **29.01.2026.** (2) Last date for submission of Queries: **02.02.2026.** (3) Last date for submission of Technical & Financial Bids (Cover I & II): **05.02.2026.** (4) Opening of Technical Bids: **07.02.2026.** (5) Opening of Financial Bids: **09.02.2026. Visit us at www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Dy. General Manager (Procurement)

IN THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - I, BANGALORE

New Premises at 4th Floor, Telephone House Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore - 560001.

O.A. No. 601 of 2022

Between :
The South Indian Bank Ltd. ... Applicant
And :
M/s. Orion Enterprises & Ors. ... Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULES 23 (VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY PAPER PUBLICATION

To :
1. M/s. Orion Enterprises, Represented by Its Partners Mrs. Sabeena Azeem & Mrs. Thaisiya Zaban S. K. No. 301, 3rd Floor, 37/2, Chicago Avenue, Cunningham Road, Bangalore Urban, Karnataka, Pin - 560052
2. Mrs. Sabeena Azeem @ KA Sabina, Partner : (M/s. Orion Enterprises) House No. 159, Nandanam Defense Enclave, Geddalahalli, Kothanur, Bangalore - 560077.
3. Mrs. Thaisiya Zaban S.K., (Partner : M/s. Orion Enterprises) House No. 159, Nandanam Defense Enclave, Geddalahalli, Kothanur PO, Bangalore - 560077.
4. Mr. V. M. Mohammed Alsai, Valiya Veetil House, Thavakkal, House No. 151, Hamzakunju Lane, SRM Road, Ernakulam - 682018
5. Mr. V. M. Mohammed Arshad, Valiya Veetil House, Thavakkal, House No.151, Hamzakunju Lane, SRM Road, Ernakulam - 682018
6. Mr. V.M. Mohammed Ansar, House No. 159, Nandanam Defense Enclave, Geddalahalli, Kothanur PO, Bangalore - 560077
7. Mr. V.M. Mohammed Azeem, House No. 159, Nandanam Defense Enclave, Geddalahalli, Kothanur PO, Bangalore - 560077.

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of Rs. 76,81,047/- (Rupees Seventy-Six Lakh Eighty-One Thousand Forty-Seven Only) as on 08-04-2022 together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.

Take notice that you are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of Publication of the Summons or on **05-03-2026 at 10.30 A.M.** in the forenoon in person or by a Pleadar / Advocate duly instructed as to why the reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in default of appearance, on the day mentioned herein above, the proceedings will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this **21st Day of Jan. 2026.**

Registrar,
(Debt Recovery Tribunal-I, Bangalore)

Government of Karnataka

POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE KALBURGI CITY

No.ACT-3/STS/Drones/15/25-26 date: 28.01.2026.

TENDER NOTIFICATION (THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT)

Commissioner Of police Kalaburgi City invites tender for SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE OF UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (DRONE) WITH ACCESSORIES FOR COMMISSIONER OF POLICE KALABURGI CITY Regarding Purchasing Drones and Their Equipments For Kalaburgi City. Eligibility for bidders in bid system (Techno-commercial Bid & Financial Bid) in e-procurement mode for Details are available in the site : www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in Last date and time for upload of e-tender in E-procurement platform as follows.

- Commencement of download of e-Tender Form from website- <http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in> No:ACT-3/STS/Drones/15/25-26
- 2) Tender Publishing Date: 27.01.2026.
- 3) Last date & Time for online queries : 03.02.2026 Time:-05:00 PM.
- 4) Pre-Bid meeting date and time : 04.02.2026 Time:-11:30 AM.
- 5) Last Date for Uploading of Tender in e-procurement platform on or before: 10.02.2026 Time :- 05:30 PM.
- 6) Opening of Technical Bid: 12.02.2026 Time:-11:00 AM.
- 7) Opening of Price/Financial Bid: 16.02.2026 Time:-11:00 AM.
- 8) Tender amount: 1,00,00,000=00.
- 9) EMD Amount: 1,50,000=00.
- 9) Contact Address for communication : Commissioner Of police, Kalaburgi City, Kalaburgi Ph:08472-248500. storesckbc@ksp.gov.in

Sd/- Commissioner Of police Kalaburgi City

DIPR/Kalaburagi/1026/KSMC&A/2025-26

CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, CHAMARAJANAGARA

Email add: ka.chamarajanagara.cmc@gmail.com website add: www.chamarajanagaracity.mrc.gov.in

No:CMC/CHN/TS/AEE/PR-66/2025-26 Date:28.01.2026

-: ReTender Notification :-

(Through The Government Of Karnataka Public Procurement Portal)

Under the AMRUT 2.0 Scheme a tender has been invited through the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal as per the Karnataka Standard Tender Document - KW-3 (Karnataka Public Procurement Transparency Directions 1999-2000 Act 2000). Eligible tenderers can participate in the tender through the portal <http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>.

Sl.No	Work Details	Amount Put to Tender (Rs in Lakhs)	Amount of E.M.D (Rs in Lakhs)
1	(DMA/2025-26/OW/WORK_INDENT49074/CALL-4)	76.50	1.53

1. Last Date for Submission of Tender (Through e-portal Only): **16/02/2026 Upto 5.30 PM**, Date of opening of Technical bid Dated: **18/02/2026 after 11.00 AM**
2. Further details can be obtained from the website www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in and from the office of Municipal commissioner, City Municipal Council, Chamarajanagara or Assistant Executive Engineer (Civil) City Municipal Council, Chamarajanagara
3. Any amendments/addendums will be published on the portal only and the tenderers shall abide by all the conditions mentioned in the tender documents.

Sd/- (Prakash.K.H) Commissioner CMC, Chamarajanagara

NO: DIPR: CHANAGAR: 666:2025-26

Publish 'logical discrepancy' list in TN: SC tells ECI

ECI ordered to display names of affected persons with reasons at public places

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday directed the Election Commission of India (ECI) to ensure transparency in the verification of the 'logical discrepancies' list published during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Tamil Nadu and display the names of the persons figuring on the list with reasons at public places in every ward.

A bench, comprising Chief Justice of India Surya Kant and Justice Joy-malya Bagchi, passed the order after hearing an application filed by DMK secretary RS Bharathi, on behalf of the state's ruling party. The court also ordered the Tamil Nadu government to provide adequate manpower to the ECI and the State Election Commission to properly handle documents/objections and hear the per-

sons likely to be affected.

It further directed that the superintendents of police of all districts should ensure that there is no law and order problems. The bench clarified that it expected the ECI to follow the same procedure in other states as well, where SIR is under way.

During the hearing, the court noted that approximately 1.16 crore people, who were included in the draft electoral rolls, have been served with notices by ECI officials, citing logical discrepancies and seeking verification.

It allowed the affected persons to submit their documents or objections through their authorised representative, such as Booth Level Agent (BLA), to raise complaints. The bench said documents and objections may be permitted to be submitted at the panchayat bhawans or taluk offices.



COURTESY CALL
Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets former PM HD Deve Gowda in New Delhi on Thursday. Taking to social media platform 'X', Modi said that Gowda's "meaningful thoughts on key issues are quite noteworthy. His enthusiasm for India's development is equally commendable" | EXPRESS

Sabarimala gold theft row: Another accused gets bail

TIPURAM: In a major blow to the special investigation team probing the Sabarimala gold theft case, the Kollam Vigilance court granted bail to former Sabarimala administrative officer S Sreekumar, who is the sixth accused in the case. Sreekumar was the administrative officer when the alleged offence took place. The SIT had arrested him after accusing him of signing the mahazar which mentioned gold-plated copper plates as copper plates.

Basava bodies to protest Kanneri seer's participation in B'luru conclave today

BENGALURU: Several Basava organisations have announced that they will stage a protest in Bengaluru on Friday against the participation of Adrushya Kadasiddhashw Swami of Kanneri Mutt in the Veerashaiva-Lingayat Global Entrepreneurs' Conclave to be held at Palace Grounds here. The organisations have urged the Bengaluru district administration to prevent the seer from entering the city, stating that members of the community are against his presence at the event. Kanneri seer has been invited to attend the event between noon and 1pm.

EXPRESS READ

KHADI POISED FOR HOMECOMING IN GOVT CORRIDORS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

GOVERNMENT employees are being encouraged to wear khadi on the first Saturday of every month and on occasions such as Independence Day and Republic Day.

Officials said the move is intended as a reminder that the

administrative machinery of today rests on the sacrifices of countless freedom fighters. By restoring khadi—the hand-spun fabric that became the uniform of resistance and self-reliance—the government hopes to rekindle a sense of legacy, humility, and duty

among its workforce.

Archival photographs preserved at the Vidhana Soudha bear testimony to an era when chief ministers, ministers, and legislators routinely appeared in crisply pressed khadi during the 1940s, 1950s and even the 1960s—an unspoken

pledge to Gandhian ideals and national service. Chief Secretary Shalini Rajneesh on Thursday held a meeting with government officers, staff, and representatives of official associations, to discuss the initiative.

"There was unanimous support," Rajneesh told *TNIE*. "The meeting was held with

representatives of all official associations, and everyone supported the decision. The official circular will be issued today."

An observer remarked that a change in attire might also inspire a change in attitude—echoing the inscription on Vidhana Soudha that declares government work to be God's work.

Vistaar Financial Services Private Limited
Regd Office:- Plot No.59&60-23, 22nd Cross, 29th Main, BTM Layout Stage 2, Bengaluru-560076. www.vistaarfinance.com

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given by Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd (VFSP), that the following borrowers who have availed loan against property from Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd, and failed to pay Equated Monthly Installments (EMIs) of their loan and to that their loan account has been classified as Non-performing Asset as per the guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India. The Borrowers have provided security of the immovable property towards the loan, the details of which are described herein below. The details of the loan and the amounts outstanding and payable by the borrowers to **Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd**, as on date are also indicated here below. The borrowers as well as the public in general are hereby informed that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd**, the secured creditor has initiated action against the following borrowers under the provisions of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the SARFAESI Act). If the following borrowers fails to repay the outstanding dues indicated against their names within 60 (Sixty) days of this notice along with further interest and other charges if any, the undersigned will exercise any one or more of the powers conferred on the Secured Creditor under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, including power to take possession of the property and sell the same. The public in general is advised not to deal with property described here below.

Sl. No.	Account No.	Name of Borrower and Co-Borrower	Total Outstanding	Total Loan Outstanding as on
1	0060SBML01508	1. Kirankumar DP 2. Rathnamma	Rs. 20,91,191/-	01-01-2026
Description of the Secured Assets: SECOND SCHEDULE - DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: All piece and parcel of property bearing E-Katha No.15280020060200091, Property No.73/53, in Survey No.174 situated at Doddakabalu Village, Hohalli Hobli, Channarayana Taluk, Ramnagar Dist, now comes under Kottagala Village Panchayath limits, in Form No.118-Katha Property, measuring Fast to west-10.0584Vmr, North to South-12.6790000000001Mtrs, in all measuring 127.55Sq.Mtrs along with RCC building and bounded on: East by: Property Kempegowda, West by: Milk Dairy, North by: Road, South by: Road				
2	0269SBML00395	1. Usha H 2. Gowtham D	Rs. 21,20,021/-	01-01-2026
Description of the Secured Assets: The property admeasuring an extent of 1200 Sq.Ft. comprised in Khata No(s) 105, Site No.56 & 57, situated in Mylasandra Village, within the Sub-Registration District of Begur bounded on the follow East: Site No.54 and 55, West by: 20 Feet Road North Private Property, South by: Site No.58				

Date: 30-01-2026
Place: Bangalore Rural

Sd/- Authorized Officer
Vistaar Financial Services Private Limited

ಮದಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ,
ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.
ಸಂ:ದಾಮಾ:ಕಾ:ಅ.ಇ.ಟೆಂಡರ್:48/2025-26 ದಿನಾಂಕ:23-01-2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಟೋರೇಷನ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ)

2025-26ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ನಿಧಿ 03 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ, 2025-26ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ವಾಸ್ತು ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ಮೂಲ ಸೌಕರ್ಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ (ಸಿ.ಎಂ.ಐ.ಡಿ.ಸಿ) ಅನುದಾನದಡಿ-01 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ, ಒಟ್ಟು 04 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ. ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಸಿಂಗಲ್/ಡಬಲ್ ಕವರ್ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು/ಒಪ್ಪಂದದಾರರು/ ಸರಬರಾಜುದಾರರು ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಟೋರೇಷನ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್ <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಮದಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ www.davanagerecity.mrc.gov.in ರಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ. ಸಹಾಯಕ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: +91-8046010000 +91-8068948777 ರಿಂದ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ, ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಿಟ್ಟು ಮೊತ್ತ, ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ ಮತ್ತು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ. ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಗಮನಿಸುವುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಮೊರೆಸಿಗಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂ.01, 02ರ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ: ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 27-01-2026 ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ & ವೇಳೆ : 03-02-2026 ಸಮಯ : 16.00 ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 03-02-2026 ಸಮಯ : 17.00 ಟೆಂಡರ್/ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05-02-2026 ಸಮಯ : 11.00

ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂ.03, 04ರ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ: ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಯಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 29-01-2026 ಪ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡ್ ದಿನಾಂಕ & ವೇಳೆ (ರೂ. 100 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳ ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ) : 06-02-2026 ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ & ವೇಳೆ : 13-02-2026 ಸಮಯ : 16.00 ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 13-02-2026 ಸಮಯ : 17.00 ಟೆಂಡರ್/ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ & ವೇಳೆ : 16-02-2026 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ: 11.00

ವಾಸಾ/ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ/688/ ಸಬ್-ಕಾರ್ಪೊರೇಷನ್ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು,
ಕೆಎಂಎಂಸಿಎಂ/2025-26 ಮದಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ

PUBLIC NOTICE
FORM NO. URC-2

Advertisement giving notice about registration under Part I of Chapter XXI of the Act

Pursuant to section 374(b) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule 4(1) of the Companies (Authorised to Register) Rules, 2014

1. Notice is hereby given in pursuance of sub-section (2) of section 366 of the Companies Act, 2013, an application is been made to the Registrar of Companies, Bengaluru, that **NISARGA HUMAN RIGHTS ASSOCIATION**, a Trust may be registered under Part I of Chapter XXI of the Companies Act 2013, as a company limited by guarantee.

2. The Principal objects of the company are as follows:-
"To establish, maintain, and run old age homes, nursing homes, and to provide welfare services for the elderly." & "To provide medical support, healthcare facilities, and assistance to the needy."

3. A copy of the draft memorandum and articles of association of the proposed company may be inspected at the office at **No. 09, Ward No 12, Medarahalli, Bangalore-560090**.

4. Notice is hereby given that any person objecting to this application may communicate their objection in writing to the Registrar at **Central Registration Centre (CRC), Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA), Plot No. 6, 7, 8, Sector 5, IIT Manesar, District Gurgaon (Haryana), Pin Code-122050, within twenty one (21) days from the date of publication of this notice, with a copy to the company at its registered office.**

Dated this 30th January, 2026.

1. Nagaraj
2. Mallikarjuna
(Proposed Directors)

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all and whomsoever it may concern that my client is intending to purchase the schedule properties from its present Owners

1. Sri Mudappa 2. Smt. Lakshmidhevaramma, 3. Sri R M Ashwathappa, 4. Smt. Klawathi, 5. Smt. M R Manjula, 6. Smt. R M Lakshmi, 7. Sri R K Hanumanthappa, 8. Smt. Hanumanthappa, 9. Smt. Nagamani, 10. Smt. Padmanma, 11. Smt. Chandrakala, 12. Smt. Lakshmanamma, 13. Smt. Jayamma, 14. Sri Chandrashekar, 15. Sri Hanumanthegowda A, 16. Smt. Lakshmidivi, 17. Sri R K Reddappa, 18. Smt. Nagamani, 19. Smt. Likhitha R R, 20. Smt. Rachitha R R, 21. Sri K Gopanna, 22. Smt. Rathnamma, 23. Sri Manohar R G, 24. Sri Dhanush R G, 25. Sri K K Shivashankar, 26. Smt. Lakshmidivi A, 27. Sri Charan Tej S, 28. Sri Chandrashekar A, 29. Smt. Nagamani B R, 30. Sri Hemantkumar R, 31. Bhavyashree R C, 32. Sri Gangadharappa, 33. Sri Nagaraju R, 34. Sri Narasimha Murthy R A, 35. Smt. Jayamma, 36. Smt. Lakshmi devamma, 37. Smt. Nagarathnamma, 38. Sri Hanumanthegowda, 39. Sri Adwappa, 40. Smt. Gangamma, 41. Smt. Chandrakala R N, 42. Smt. Madhusree H, 43. Sri Yashwanth Gowda & 44. Smt. Lakshmi Devi A (all are legal heirs of late Sri Kadappa & late Sri Narasimha). My client, after purchasing the schedule properties intending to form the residential layout, after taking necessary approvals from the competent authorities and intending to alienate the sites to the prospective buyers by availing loan from the Banks / Financial Institutions.

If any other person/s / authority has/have any manner of right, title, interest, demand, claim, charge or lien over the schedule properties, they are hereby requested to file their objections to the Sale transaction and mortgage of the same to the Banks / Financial Institutions and shall inform/object the same in writing along with the photocopies of the documents relied for such claim/objections, through the registered post with acknowledgement due to the undersigned **within 10 days** from the date of publication of this notice.

If no valid claim/objection is received by the undersigned as aforesaid, my client shall proceed to purchase the schedule properties and mortgage the same to the Banks / Financial Institutions deeming that no one else has/have any manner of right or claim or interest whatsoever over the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

Item No.1
All that piece & parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.10/10 measuring 1 Acre Situated at Ramachandrapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Gauribidanur Taluk and bounded on the East by : Land bearing Sy.No.10/9 West by : Land bearing Sy.No.10/8 North by : Land bearing Sy.No.10/6 South by : Road

Item No.2
All that piece & parcel of the property bearing Sy.No.10/8 measuring 1-01 Acre Situated at Ramachandrapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Gauribidanur Taluk and bounded on the East by : Land bearing Sy.No.10/10 West by : Land bearing Sy.No.10/7 North by : Land bearing Sy.No.10/6 South by : Road

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No. Ex.O /EO/Tender-eproc-17/2025-26 Date: 29.01.2026

Short Term Tender Notification
(Through e-procurement portal) (3rd Call)

University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad is inviting tender from the eligible tenderers for procurement of Supply, Installation, testing and commissioning of solar roof top grid connected power plants through e-procurement portal. The registered authorized suppliers are requested to visit the website <http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> and download the documents for participation in the tender. Last date & time for receipt of **Tender : 07.02.2026 (Saturday) 5.00 PM**. Other Schedule of Events can be availed in the e-Portal. For more details please contact **0836-2214291** during office hours.

Tenderers need to register with e-procurement portal of Govt. of Karnataka B'lore. For details of registration please Contact Ph. No: **080-46010000**. Bidders are requested to get updated with the corrigendum/addendum (if any) issued online at the following link in the entire tender process. <http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>

Sd/-
ESTATE OFFICER
UAS, Dharwad

DIPR/Dharwad/1161/Deshpadepublicity/2025-26

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking) No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Telephone numbers 080-25310099, 080-25310181. Email: cb6298@canarabank.com

ARM II Branch
2nd Floor, Circle Office,
Spencer Towers,
No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Telephone numbers 080-25310099, 080-25310181. Email: cb6298@canarabank.com

(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable Property)

SALE NOTICE
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM II BRANCH of the Canara Bank**, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on 19.02.2026 from 1:00 pm to 3.00 pm, for recovery of below mentioned amount.

E-AUCTION DATE: 19.02.2026

Borrower(s): (1) GA Doors and More Ground Floor, No.67/5, RK Reddy Industrial Estate, Lakshimpura, Vidyanarayapura Post, Bengaluru-560097. (2) Mr. Bharath Kumar G S/o K Ganesh, No.22 Byraveshwara Nagara Sheththalli, Bengaluru -560015. (3) Mr. Thulasi Nayak S/o Late Rama Nayak Basaveshwara Nagar Kanakapura, Ramnagarapara Post-562117. (4) Mr. Bharath Kumar G, No.22, Kolihswari Nilaya, Anjanadri Layout, 7th cross, Sheththalli, Jalahalli West, Bengaluru-560015.

Total liabilities: Rs. 2.21,35,233.96/- (Rupees Two crores Twenty One Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Three and Ninety Six Paise only) as on 27.01.2026 along with expenses, other charges, etc.

Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before: 18.02.2026.

Description of Immovable Properties (Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned)
All that piece and parcel of the property being 3 BHK Apartment bearing No.A-1101, on the 11th floor vide Katha no. 7235091858, in the building known as "Pragathi Ambler" situated in Ananth Nagar, Electronic City, Bengaluru-560100 constructed in Composite Property, having a super built up area of 1560 Sq.ft.(which is inclusive of the common walls between the apartments and proportionate share in the common areas)and with 2 Covered Car Parking Space in Basement/ Ground Floor and bounded by : East: Lift Lobby, West by: Open Space, North by : Open Space, South by: Corridor.

Reserve Price: Rs 68.40 EMD: Rs 6,80,400/-

i) Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area, dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank.
ii) After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank. For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, ARM-2 Branch (913092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 9483544116, 8709675503 and 080-25310181)
E-mail id: cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider [Ms.PSB Alliance \(BAANKNET\) e-mail:support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com](mailto:Ms.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) e-mail:support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com)

Note : The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest

Date : 28.01.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

कार्यालय नगर निगम पाली (राज.)
(जालबहादुर शास्त्री टाऊन हॉल, सुरजपोल के पास, पाली, पिनकोड-306401)
टेलीफोन नं :- 02932-250033 ई-मेल :- cmcpali@yahoo.co.in

क्रमांक प. / एस.अवकाश एम् / 2025-26 / 225 दिनांक 15.01.26

अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सूचना/ 02/2025-26

नगर निगम पाली में घर घर कचरा संग्रहण कार्य हेतु ई-निविदा आमंत्रित कि गयी है निविदा सम्बन्धी जानकारी व अन्य शर्तें निगम कार्यालय एवं एवं वेबपोर्टल <http://eproc.rajjasthan.gov.in> पोर्टल व <http://sppp.rajjasthan.gov.in> के UBN नं **DLB2526SL0B31914** के जरिये देखी जा सकती है। आयुक्त नगर निगम, पाली

राज.संवाच/ री / 25 / 18694

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED
Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office: No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612001. E-Mail id: cmrd@cityunionbank.in, Phone: 0435-2432322, Fax: 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following properties/properties to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.1,94,01,236/- (Rupees One Crore Ninety Four Lakh One Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Six only)** as on 10-03-2025 together with further interest to be charged from 11-03-2025 onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors No.1) M/s. H M S Silk Industries, No.52, Meleokote, Rehmaniya Nagar, Kanakapura - 562117. Also at, M/s. H M S Silk Industries, Sy. No. 221, Aralasaandra Village, Kanakapura, Ramnagar - 562117. No.2) Mr. Majeed Shariff, S/o. Mohammed Shariff, Ward No. 12, Meleokote, Near Urdu School, Kanakapura - 562117. No.3) Mrs. Majira Banu, W/o. Majeed Shariff, Ward No.12, Meleokote, Near Urdu School, Kanakapura - 562117 No.4) M/s. MMS Silk Industry, No.236, Hannur Belathuru Village, Kollegala, Ramnagar, Karnataka - 571440.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mrs. Majira Banu, W/o. Majeed Shariff)
All that piece and parcel of Residential Property bearing Municipal Katha No. 8678/7383/A, PID No. 36-532-551, Measuring : East to West 15,240030 Meters and North to South 18,288037, situated at Ward No.13, A. K. Colony, Meleokote, Kanakapura Town, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramnagar District. Bounded on: East by : Road, West by : House of Puttaswami, North by : Road, South by : House of Chikikaventalah.

Reserve Price : Rs.65,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Five Lakh only)

Schedule - B : (Property Owned by Mr. Majeed Shariff, S/o. Mohammed Shariff)
All that piece and parcel of the RCC Ground Floor, Commercial-cum-Residential Property bearing Old Municipal Katha No. 5471/3667A Measuring : East to West 50 feet and North to South 54 feet together with 2700 sq. ft. situated at Rehmaniya Nagar, Meleokote, Ward No. 12, Kanakapura. Bounded on : East by : Municipal Road, West by : House of Fayaz, North by : House of Fazil, South by : Municipal Road.

Reserve Price : Rs.65,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Five Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
16-02-2026	City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramnagar Branch, B.M.Road, 316, 1 Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramnagar, Bengaluru Rural - 571511. Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :
(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself/herself. (2) The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Ramnagar Branch, B.M.Road, 316, 1 Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru - Mysore Main Road, Ramnagar, Bengaluru Rural - 571511.** (3) The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of "City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before **12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. (4) For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-27276688, Cell No.9379511195.** (5) The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever there is" basis. (6) The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be confirmed on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. (7) The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the Sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of completion of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. (8) The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. (9) The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. (10) The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. (11) The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 28-01-2026

Regd. Office: 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612001. **CIN : L65110TN1904PLC001287.**
Telephone No.0435-2402322, Fax: 0435-2431746. **Website:** www.cityunionbank.com

Authorised Officer



IDBI BANK
CIN : L65190MH2004GOI148838

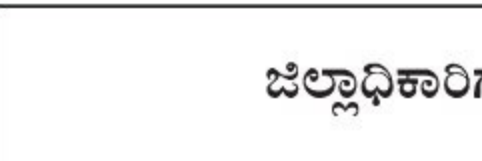
Missison Road Branch: Retail Recovery, 2nd Floor, IDBI House, #58, Missison Road, Bangalore-560027. Ph: 080-6145123/234/246/250/280
Email: recovery.bangalore@idbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE [Under Rule 8(1)]
Whereas, The Undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the IDBI Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower/ Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors and the public in general, that the undersigned has **taken possession of the property** described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of Said Act read with rules 8 & 9 of the said rules on mentioned dates. The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the IDBI Bank for as below mentioned amount and interest thereon.

Loan A/c No.: HL A/c No: 1438675100002981
1. Name & Address of the Borrower & Guarantor: Shri. Ajitsing Shambhusing Rajput & Smt. Rajput Anjali Ajitsing
Demand Notice Date: 28.11.2025
Outstanding Amount: Rs.39,46,845.00 (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakh Fourty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Five Only), together with further interest thereon with effect from 08/10/2025 + Applicable interest and charges thereon less deposits made further.
DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of Site bearing No.03, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 50 feet, totally measuring 1500 sq.feet., layout formed in "SHREE SAI CITY" Sy.No.16/3, measuring 1 acre 25 guntas of land and E-Katha bearing no. 150200100401320247, situated at Vadera Manchanahalli, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, bounded on the On the East by : Site 04, On the West by : Road, On the South by : Site No 02, On the North by : Road, together with all and singular the structures and erections thereon, both present and future.

Date : 28.01.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
IDBI Bank Limited



ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಹಸರ
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ಕಡತ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ/ಜನಕೋ/ಯೋಜನೆ/CMIDP/2025-26/2964 ದಿನಾಂಕ:28.01.2026

~ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆ~
(ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರ್ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಹಸರದ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕ ಮತ್ತು ಕಾನೂನು-1999 ಹಾಗೂ ನಿಯಮಾವಳಿಗಳು-2000 ರಂತೆ ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರ್ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಿಸಿದ (ರೆಜಿಸ್ಟ್ರೇಷನ್) ಏಜೆನ್ಸಿಗಳಿಂದ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಇ-ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರ್ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ kppp.karnataka.gov.in ರ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆಳಗೆ ನಮೂದಿಸಿರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕದಂದು ಅನ್ವೇಷಣೆ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ವೆಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

01) ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 28.01.2026 02) ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶಿ ಸಭೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 04.02.2026 Time : 11.00 AM 03) ಸ್ವೀಕೃತರಾದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 06.02.2026 Time : 05.30 PM 04) ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ: 13.02.2026 Time:05.30 PM 05) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ: 16.02.2026 Time :11.00 AM 06)ಅರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ: 18.02.2026 Time :11.00 AM

1) ಇಂಡೆಕ್ಸ್ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: Indent Number: DMA/2025-26/RD/53574 1ಎವರ್: CONSTRUCTION OF CC ROAD AT VARIOUS WARDS OF HUNASAGI TP LIMITS ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮೊತ್ತ (ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ): 83.06 ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ): 1.66,000/-

ಫರಸ್ತು: ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್‌ನ ಫರಸ್ತುಗಳ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು.

ಸಬ್- ಯೋಜನಾ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು
ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಸಂ.ಇ/ಯಾದಗಿರಿ/494/ಕೆ.ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಎ/2025-26 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಕಾರ್ಪೊರೇಷನ್ ಕೋಶ ಯಾದಗಿರಿ



SBFC Finance Limited
Registered Office:- Unit No. 103, First Floor, C&B Square, Sangam Complex, Village Chakala, Andheri- Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai-400059.
BRANCH ADDRESS:- No.58, 1st Floor, Lakshimpuram, Cmh Road, Opp.Lakshimpuram Bus Stop & Bridgestone Tyre Showroom, Halasuru Bangalore-560008.

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR AUCTION CUM SALE
Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of **SBFC Finance Limited** (Erstwhile SBFC Finance Pvt. Ltd.) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("SARFAESI Act") for the recovery of amount due from below borrowers, offers/Bids are invited by the undersigned in sealed covers for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the possession of the secured creditor, on **'AS IS WHERE IS BASIS', 'AS IS WHAT IS BASIS' and 'AS IS WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS'**. Particulars of which are given below:-

Address of Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property	Reserve Price (RP)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Total Loan Outstanding as on 27.01.2026
1.Sri Balaji Power Looms, 2.Muniraja C.&S.Chinnappa.M 4. Sandhya N, Add: Ward No. 23, Rahamath Nagara, Vijayapura Bangalore Rural,Karnataka-562135 And Also, At: 1a. SRI BALAJI POWER LOOMS Survey No. 47, Mangasandra Village, Koramangala Mandala Panchayat, Vijayapura Hobli, Bangalore Rural,Karnataka-562135.	Rs. 22,37,219/- (Rupees Twenty-two Lakh(s) Thirty-seven Thousand Two Hundred Nineteen Only) as on 28th May 2024, plus unrepaid interest from the date of 29th May 2024, Demand Notice Date - 30th January 2024	All the piece and parcel of Property bearing Sy. No. 47, measuring 0-01 Guntas along with construction thereon situated at Mangasandra Village, Koramangala Mandala Panchayat, Vijayapura Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and property bounded as under North- Same Survey Number of Property.South- Property belongs to Ramesh.East- Property belongs to Rapavappa,West-Road.	Rs. 38,57,625/- (Rupees Thirty-Eight Lakh Fifty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty-Five Only)	Rs.3,85,762/- (RupeesThree Lac Eighty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-Two Only)	Rs.17,73,811/- (RupeesEleven Lac Seventy Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Eleven Only)

(1). Last Date of Submission of Sealed Bid/Offer in the prescribed tender/Bid forms along with EMD and KYC (Self-attested) is **18/02/2026 on or before 11:00 AM** at the Head/Branch Office address mentioned herein above. Tenders/Bids that are not filled up or tenders received beyond last date will be considered as invalid and shall accordingly be rejected. (2). EMD amount should be paid by way of Demand Draft/Pay order payable at **Halasuru Bangalore-560008** in favour of **"SBFC Finance Limited"** which is refundable without interest to unsuccessful bidders. (3).Date of Inspection of the Property is on **11/02/2026 between 11.00 AM to 4.30 PM**. (4). Date of Opening of the Bid/Offer (Auction Date) for Property is **18/02/2026** at the above-mentioned branch office address at **12:30 PM** The tender/Bid will be opened in presence of the Authorized Officer along with all bidders. (5).Name of Authorized officer and contact number: **Vasudev Neeralakeri +91 9060698636**. (6).Property will be sold to bidder quoting the highest bid amount. Inter-se bidding will be at sole discretion of Authorized Officer. However, the Authorized Officer has the absolute power and right to accept or reject any tender/bid or adjourn/ postpone the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever thereof. The property will not be sold below Reserve Price. (7). Further interest will be charged as applicable, as per the Loan Agreement on the amount outstanding in the notice and incidental expenses, costs, etc., is due and payable till its realization. (8). The detail terms and conditions of the auction sale are incorporated in the prescribed tender form. Tender forms are available at the above mentioned Head/Branch office. (9). Any fees, charges, taxes including but not limited to transfer/conveyance charges, unpaid electricity charges, Municipal/local taxes, Stamp duty & registration charges shall have to be borne by the purchaser only. (10). All dues/areas/unpaid taxes including but not limited including sales tax, property tax, etc. or any other dues, statutory or otherwise on the secured property shall be borne by the purchaser separately. (12).Encumbrances known to the secured creditor: NIL. (11). The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of bid amount (after adjusting EMD) immediately and balance 75% amount must be payable within 15 days. On failure to pay the sale price as stated all deposits including EMD shall be forfeited without further notice. However, extension of further reasonable time to make the balance 75% payment in exceptional situations shall be at sole discretion of authorized officer. (13). The particulars given by the Authorized officer are stated to the best of his knowledge, belief and records. Authorized officer shall not be responsible for any error, mis-statement or omission etc. (14). The bid is not transferable. (15). The Borrower's Cheque or Demand Draft should be made in favor of **"M/s. SBFC FINANCE LIMITED"** payable at **Halasuru Bangalore-560008**. (16). The Borrower/ Co-Borrower are hereby given **15 DAYS STATUTORY SALE NOTICE UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002** to pay the sum mentioned as above before the date of Auction failing which the immovable property will be auctioned and balance, if any, will be recovered with interest and costs. If the Borrower pays the amount due to **SBFC Finance Limited (Erstwhile SBFC Finance Pvt. Ltd.)** in full before the date of sale, auction is liable to be stopped. (17). The notice is hereby given to the Borrower, Co-Borrower to remain present personally at the time of sale and they can bring the intending buyers/ purchasers for purchasing the immovable property as described herein above, as per the particulars of Terms and Conditions of Sale.

Date : 30.01.2026
Place: Halasuru Bangalore-560008

Sd/-Authorized Officer
SBFC Finance Limited



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CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Increment al Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	(1) Mr. L Ravikumar, S/o Mr. S. V. Lakshmi Narayan, (2) Mrs. Sujatha R, W/o Mr. L Ravikumar, Both are R/at: V R Gokulam Apartment, Flat No.322, 3rd Floor, A-Block, Kannurhalli, Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru-562114. Loan A/c Nos.: (1) TL No. 9547001600006601 (2) PSTL A/c No. 9547001800001601	Rs.44,91,544.01 [Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Five Hundred Forty Four and paise One Only] [1] Rs. 3,89,790.87 30.03.2025 + [2] Rs. 41,01,753.14 09.04.2025]	26.11.2024 & Physical	All that part and parcel of Residential Property bearing Flat No.322, 3rd Floor, Block 'A' in the Apartment namely "V R Gokulam Apartment" having SUB with 965 sq.ft., and UDS with 424.6 sq.ft. in the land, together with one covered car parking space situated at old Sy.No.146 and New Sy.No.146/2, of Kannurhalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District-562114, belonging to Mr.L Ravikumar and Mrs.Sujatha R. Boundaries of Property: East by : Land in Sy.No.147, West by: Kannurhalli Road, North by : Halla/Road, South by : Land in Sy.No.146/1. Boundaries of Flat: East by : Open to sky, West by : Wide corridor and Flat.No.320. North by: Open to Sky, South by: Flat.No.323. Property Location: Latitude & Longitude: 13.06399 N, 77.80337 E	Rs. 38,34,000/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Four Hundred Only).	Rs. 3,83,400/- (Rupees Three Lakh Three Thousand Four Hundred Only)	10.45 AM to 11.00 AM	Rs. 25,000/-	Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch - Bengaluru - Anandapura A/c No: 9543500200004101 IFSC:KAR0000954

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset). (This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8/Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors). For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Auction Notice". The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on 17.02.2026 at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at www.auctionbazaar.com and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on 16.02.2026) from M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD (Known by their website: www.auctionbazaar.com) Auction Bazaar, get 7-1/28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India - 500016, Contact No.: 7799728999, E-mail: contact@auctionbazaar.com and disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.

Date : 28.01.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer,
Karnataka Bank Ltd.



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TENDER NOTICE
On behalf of The President of India, Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer, Secunderabad Division, South Central Railway, Secunderabad invites open tenders for the following works through E-procurement of the tenders.

Sl.No.: 1, Tender No. & Date: C.SG. 36_589 Dt: 21.01.2026, Closing Dt: 09.03.2026
Name of the work: Comprehensive signalling and telecommunication works for interlocking of three (3) number of level crossing gates of Secunderabad Division in south central railway. **Approx Value :** ₹. 4,45,00,415.44, **Bid Security/EMD:** ₹. 3,72,500.00.

Sl.No.: 2, Tender No. & Date: C.SG. 36_590 Dt: 22.01.2026, Closing Dt: 13.02.2026
Name of the work: Up gradation of SCADA network in KZJ-BPQ & MACH-GDCR section. **Approx Value :** ₹. 2,26,32,819.94, **Bid Security/EMD:** ₹. 2,63,200.00.

For further details visit the website www.irops.gov.in. Bid security/EMD to be paid as per GCC 2022.

As per IRSGCC-2022, e-Tender Forms shall be issued free of cost to all tenderers. (Ref: IRSGCC 2022 part-1, Clause-3)

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/ A2320 Co-ord/Secunderabad

For further tender conditions/ details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at <https://www.irops.gov.in> or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in



BANGALORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru - 560 020

No. BDA/LAO/421/2025-26 Date: 29.01.2026

THANISANDRA REMOVAL OF ENCROACHED STRUCTURES CASE

The Commissioner and Disciplinary Authority of Bangalore Development Authority has appointed two retired District Judges as Inquiry Officers to verify the correctness of procedure followed on 08.01.2026 by the Task Force in removal of encroached structures in Survey No.28/1 and 28/2 of Thanisandra Village, Arkavathi Layout. The aggrieved persons are called upon to submit their application in the format prepared by the Enquiry Officers. Along with the Application a sworn affidavit on a stamp paper of Rs.100 shall be enclosed. The aggrieved persons must also enclose the Xerox copies of the documents in support of their case. The application along with the Affidavit should be submitted to the following office address on or before 20.02.2026 (Friday) during office hours between 11.00 A.M. and 2.00 P.M. Address: Land Acquisition Officers Division, 'A' Block, Room No.207, First Floor, Bangalore Development Authority, Headquarters office, Kumar Park West, T.Chowdayya Road, Bengaluru-560 020. Helpline No.9483166622. Format of Application and Affidavit are available on the BDA website: www.bdakarnataka.in

Sd/- Investigating Officer / Inquiry Officer and Retired District Judge



भारत सरकार / GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, अंतरिक्ष विभाग / DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
विक्रम साराभाई अंतरिक्ष केंद्र / VIKRAM SARABHAI SPACE CENTRE
निर्माण एवं अनुसंधान भूय / CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP
तिरुवनंतपुरम / THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 22 / (फोन नं. / Ph. No. 0471 - 2564568 / 4545)

ई-निविदा आमंत्रित करते हुए संक्षिप्त सूचना / BRIEF NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए ई-टेंडिंग द्वारा ऑनलाइन मद-रद निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। On behalf of the President of India, online item-rate tenders are invited through E-tendering for the following works.

1. दर्भस, चीपएसएससी, तुंगा में उच्च दाब परीक्षण सुविधा के लिए भवन का निर्माण (निविल तथा पीएच कार्य) / Construction of building for High Pressure Test Facility at TERLS, VSSC, Thumba (Civil & PH works) / NIT No. VSSC/CMG/C01/28/2025-26 Dated 29.01.2026, (पी.ए.सी./P.A.C. ₹233.83 लाख/Lakhs)

2. कविटार में अंतरिक्ष संग्रहालय और ज्ञान केंद्र के लिए 11 kV सबस्टेशन/ 11 kV Substation for Space Museum and Knowledge Centre at Kowdilar / NIT No. VSSC/CMG/E01/32/2025-2026 Dated 27.01.2026, (पी.ए.सी./P.A.C. ₹127.20 लाख/Lakhs)

निविदा दस्तावेज डाउनलोड करने हेतु ऑनलाइन निर्माण / Last date for downloading the tender document: दिनांक 10.02.2026, 23.00 बजे/hrs. इच्छुक निविदाकार व्यौरों के लिए www.tenderwizard.in/isro या www.isro.gov.in देखें। Interested tenderers may visit www.tenderwizard.in/isro or www.isro.gov.in for details.

Sd/- प्रधान, संपर्कस्थ, चीपएसएससी / Head, CMG, VSSC



KARNATAKA NEERAVRI NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of The Executive Engineer, KNNL, TLBC Division No. 3, Sindhanur-584128

No: KNNL/EE-3/TLBC/TS-3/SLIS&BCB/Tender Notification/2025-26/ 2101 Date: 27.01.2026.
No: KNNL/EE-3/TLBC/TS-2/Weir/Tender Notification/2025-26/2102 Date: 27.01.2026.

Short Term Tender Notification (Through e-procurement only)
The Percentage Basis tenders through E-Procurement platform in Two Cover system (i.e., Technical Bid and Financial Bid.) are invited by the Executive Engineer, KNNL, TLBC Division No.3, Sindhanur on Behalf of the Managing Director, Karnataka Neeravri Nigam Limited, 4th Floor, Coffee Board Building, Dr|| B.R. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-560001 from Eligible Registered KPWD / CPWD Class-1 Contractor for the works of "Construction of weir near jack well of Channabaseweshwara LIS" the Amount put to tender is Rs. 3525.12 Lakhs. The Lump Sum Turn Key Basis tenders through E-Procurement platform in Two Cover system for the two works of "Lift scheme for supplementing water to the suffering atchkat in Distributary-36 near Salagunda village" the Amount put to tender is Rs. 4765.55 Lakh and "lift scheme comprising of construction of bridge cum barrage (BCB) lifting water from Sindhanur halla near Mullur village" the amount put to tender is Rs. 2150.54 Lakh. Last date for submission of tender through electronic tender is Date: 05.03.2026 up to 4.00 PM. The Name of work, amount put to tender, EMD amount, tender conditions and other information can be obtained from this office during office hours or through website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/> portal-home.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KNNL, TLBC Division No.3, Sindhanur.



E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ON 17.02.2026
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on "As is where is" and "As is what is" basis on 17.02.2026 at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the Karnataka Bank Ltd.

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 16.02.2026 at 4.00 pm through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring Karnataka Bank Ltd.

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer, Karnataka Bank Ltd.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that my client proposes to purchase the Schedule Property from the owners viz., Mr.Vijay Kumar T.C, S/o, Mr.Chikkanna T.C, Aadhar No.3031 9472 2695 and Mrs.Lakshmi J. W/o, Mr.Vijay Kumar T.C, Aadhar No.7471 1157 9202, residents of # B-204, NCC Meadows1, Off Doddaballapur Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.

Any person or persons having any claims/objections with the proposed sale transaction, may lodge their claims/objections with documentary evidence within SEVEN (7) DAYS from the date of publication of this notice with the undersigned, failing which, thereafter my client shall proceed to complete the transaction and any claims received beyond the stipulated period, will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
Residential Site bearing BDA PID No.6000087687 (formerly Site bearing No.48, formed in the layout known as "AMANSARA" approved by the Bangalore Development Authority, Singanayakanahalli Gram Panchayath, Khata No-413/48, s e s i o n n o - K a t h a N o - 150200202000320770, carved out of residentially converted land bearing Survey Nos.75, 76/3, 76/4, 77, 78/5 and 109/1 of Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, situated at Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of Bangalore Development Authority, measuring East to West 12.19 Meters and North to South 9.14 Meters, totally measuring 111.42 Square Meters and including all rights, privileges, appurtenances thereto and bounded as follows
East by : Site No.41
West by : 9.14 M Road
North by : Site No.47
South by : Site No.48

R.GUNASEKAR, ADVOCATE
38, 2nd Floor, 25th Cross, Cubbonpet, BANGALORE - 560002. M-# 94483 29507
Email: gnyanajyothi@gmail.com
rgassociates23@gmail.com
Bangalore. DATE: 29.01.2026



PUBLIC NOTICE

The public are hereby notified that our client Sri.SRIDHARAPPA BIDRARR, Sri.Devindrapa, residing at No.191, 1st Floor 2nd cross, 4th Block Jayanagar Bangalore-560041 is the owner of property morefully described in the Schedule herein and while went out to meet his friends near Jayanagara, he lost the following original documents:-
(a)Original Sale Deed dated 31.07.2004 registered as Document No.11999/2004-05 in Book-I and stored in C.D.No.845035 in the Office of Senior Sub-registrar Begur, Bangalore Urban
(b)Original Sale Deed dated 25.09.2006 registered as Document No.18813/2006-07 in Book-I and stored in C.D.No.8450274 in the Office of Senior Sub-registrar Begur, Bangalore Urban
(c)Original Cancellation of Sale Deed dated 08.10.2007 registered as Document No.1376 /2007-08 in Book-I and stored in C.D.No.85035 in the Office of Senior Sub-registrar Begur, Bangalore Urban
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In spite of the best efforts the said documents could not be traced and he lodged a complaint on 14/07/2025 before Vijayanagara Police Station, the last report bearing No.1702121/2025, Bangalore. If any person found the said document, please inform / handover the same to the below mentioned address or to our client within 7 days from the date of this public notice. If any person found to be misusing the said documents, our client keeps the liberty to file criminal complaint against them.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE Property Bearing Site No.45, formed in Converted Survey No.157/5, (converted for Residential purpose and approved by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Vide his Order No.05/ALN.SR.(S)14/2007-04, Dated 25.04.2003 and No.ALN.SR.(S)101/2003-04, Dated 26.06.2003) situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and measuring East to West 40 feet, and North to South 30 feet totally measuring 1200 Sq feet, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by: Site No.46 West by: Road North by : Site No.46 South by : Site No.44 Bangalore. Dt: 30/01/2026

N.S.Associates, Advocates & Consultants
No.8, 3rd Floor, 4th Cross, Chikkipele, Bangalore -560053.



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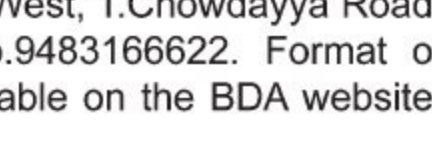


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The general public is hereby informed that our client **Smt. G. Padmavati W/o S. Govindaraju**, residing at No.13/6, 5th Cross, Magadi Road, Bhuvaneshwari-nagar, Bangalore 560 023, intends to purchase the property morefully described in the schedule hereunder from its present owner **Smt. Saritha.S.W/o. Sri. S. Raja**, if any Person/s entity/authority having any right, title, interest and objections over the scheduled properties may lodge their claims/objections in writing supported by relevant documents to the undersigned within 15 days from the date of publication. In case of non-receipt of objections or claims within the aforesaid period our client shall presume that there are no claims/objections for purchase.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of Property Bearing, NORTHERN PORTION, Site No.30, Assessment No.51, Malagali Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, and presently comes under the administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP/GBA Municipal No.127, MALAPALYA, Katha/PID No: 51, having a Form-B Katha (Rule-11) NEW E-PID No: 2121996865, bounded as under: East by: Property No.19, West by: Road, North by: Property No.29, South by: Remaining property of same No.19
In measuring East to West 40' 0" feet and North to South: 15' 0" feet, in all measuring 600 square feet.

SHIVAPRAKASH KN, Advocate
SRS LAW ASSOCIATES
No.548, 7th Main, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-40, Mobile: 9341824536.
Date: 28/01/2026.



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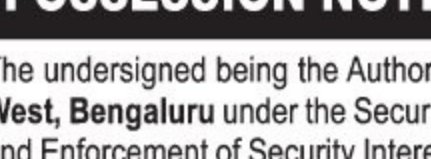
My clients intend to purchase the SCHEDULE PROPERTY from the owner Sri. N. K. Harish, S/o. Sri. Krishna Setty, residing No. 485/1, 14th Cross, 11th Main, Lakkasandra, Bengaluru-560030.
1. The owner represents and warrant that he is the sole and absolute owner of the SCHEDULE PROPERTY and he has good marketable right, title and interest therein and apart from agreeing to sell the same to my clients, he and persons claiming under him have not entered in to any agreement to sell the same to any party.
2. That if any person/s, Banks, Authorities has/have any claim over the SCHEDULE PROPERTY and/or any objection for the transaction, they shall within 8 [eight] days from today, shall register the same in writing, together with documentary proof of the same with the undersigned.
3. That if no objection or claims is registered with in the said period, it will be deemed that the schedule property is free from all encumbrances, charges, objections and claims and my clients have not to proceed with transaction to purchase the schedule property.

SCHEDULE
All the part and parcel of Immovable Property (a) Shop segment, BBMP Municipal No. 680, E-PID No. 1515096863, South-East face, in Ground floor and (b) Shop bearing BBMP Municipal No. 680/2, E-PID No. 111293122, in Ground Floor, each measuring all measuring 120 square feet, both situated in "S.J.R. Complex", constructed in property bearing No. 680, Old No. 342, at O.T.C. Road, Chickpet, Bengaluru-560053, and the entire property bounded on:
East by : Property of Pathi Adinarayana Shetty, West by : Property of Bandappa. North by : A. M. Lane, Chickpet Cross Road. South by: Passage leading to O.T.C. Road.
DAYA SHANKAR Advocate
KRUT1, No.49/23, 2nd Cross, MICO Layout, BCC Layout, Attiguppe, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560 104. Mob. No. 9645081939



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Regional Office West
Chitrapur Mutt Complex, 15th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560055



POSSESSION NOTICE

ECO SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS GROWTH CHALLENGES IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

GROWTH is holding up, but the economy is facing elevated risks. That sums up the message elaborated over 687 pages of the Economic Survey tabled Thursday. Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran described the current financial year as an “oasis of performance”, while warning that the next could see “decadal highs in global economic uncertainty”.

The survey explains that timely tax reforms and a steady rise in urban consumption have driven GDP growth for 2025-26 past the earlier 6.3-6.8 percent projection to 7.4 percent. For the coming fiscal, the growth estimate has been revised to 6.8-7.2 percent. Fiscal consolidation has kept the deficit on target at 4.8 percent, almost half the 9.2 percent clocked in 2021. Headline retail inflation, too, remains in control at 1.7 percent, with food and fuel prices in check. The downside is that India’s strong performance has “collided with a global system that no longer rewards macroeconomic success”, as evident in the continuing slide of the rupee, which hit an all-time low of 92 against the dollar on the morning of the survey presentation.

The writing is on the wall: investors are unwilling to commit to India. The survey quotes the Lowy Institute’s Power Gap Index to suggest India is operating well below its strategic potential. To weather the global “uncertainty, fragility and episodic shocks”, the survey recommends managing competitiveness in the manufacturing and export sectors by reducing excessive protection and providing easier access to capital. It also bats for the evolution of an ‘entrepreneurial state’, which would structure risk rather than avoiding it.

To transform the rural economy, the survey proposes creation of smart villages through technology-enabled schemes that take a whole-village approach rather than programme-based interventions. While noting a glaring lack of civic contract on part of citizens, it suggests converting property tax into a self-updating capital-value tax to raise large cities’ own revenues.

The CEA warns that the path towards a more resilient economy will be long grind. He quotes from the *Katha Upnishad* to suggest that “the country stands to gain immensely when all of us embrace delayed gratification”. In other words, strap on your seatbelts—the coming year is likely to be a bumpy ride.

LADDU FINDINGS OUGHT TO IMPOSE WIDER RESTRAINT

THE final chargesheet in the Tirumala laddu adulteration case brings much-needed clarity to a controversy that had spiralled far beyond verified facts. After a 15-month, multi-state investigation, the CBI-led Special Investigation Team has confirmed that ghee supplied to the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams was adulterated—but not with animal fat. Instead, vegetable oils and synthetic additives were used to mimic cow ghee, implicating suppliers, intermediaries and TTD officials in a large-scale procurement fraud.

This distinction matters. Any adulteration of *prasadam* is a grave breach of public trust, financial propriety and food safety. But the allegation of animal fat carried a far more combustible charge in a country where religious belief, identity and politics often intersect. The SIT’s findings, now before the court, underscore how swiftly unverified claims can harden into accepted truth once they enter the political bloodstream. The controversy was exacerbated by premature public claims made before the investigation was completed and before scientific findings were placed on record. The Supreme Court subsequently flagged this as a serious lapse, reiterating that those holding public office must exercise restraint when addressing issues with the potential to inflame religious sentiment.

This is not an argument for shielding institutions from scrutiny. Temples are public bodies, entrusted with vast donations from devotees, and must be held to the highest standards of transparency. The chargesheet points to serious failures—weak quality controls, dereliction of duty by officials, forged documents and a procurement process vulnerable to abuse. Instead, the public debate was briefly hijacked by symbolism and accusation, as emotion raced ahead of evidence. The political fallout was swift. Calls for new oversight bodies and sweeping interventions illustrated how a case of administrative failure and corruption was rapidly recast as a question of religious identity.

The lesson extends beyond one episode or one institution. In matters of faith, where trust is deeply held and easily shaken, careless words and weak administration can cause lasting harm. Accountability must therefore be rigorous, evidence-led and patient, guided by science rather than speculation. Institutions that command reverence owe devotees not just sanctity, but competence, transparency and restraint. That responsibility rests equally with governments, temple administrations and political actors alike in public life.

QUICK TAKE

THE LINK BEYOND NUMBERS

It has become routine for the government to roll out large schemes without much monitoring of implementation or measurement of outcomes. A series of answers given in parliament on Thursday by the Union communications ministry fell in this category. It claimed that about 97 percent of the country’s 2.22 lakh gram panchayats are now connected with broadband internet under the BharatNet programme, which also plans to support entrepreneurs hooked up to the government network. So far, so well-meaning. But in a country where several surveys show poor digital literacy in rural areas, is such a scheme worth the expense without careful and patient handholding? More than bombastic numbers, what’s required is regular public reporting from Niti Aayog, the agency tasked with monitoring the scheme’s progress.

THE ubiquity of platforms and the sharing economy is evidenced by the fact that brands like Uber and Airbnb are now used as verbs in everyday vocabulary. Their products—taxis and rooms for hire—are established. The novelty is in the ‘platforms’ matching users and providers online using peer-to-peer systems. The sharing economy—the Orwellian term used to describe the phenomenon—is focused on transport (Uber, Lyft, DiDi), short-term accommodation (Airbnb) and food delivery (Uber Eats, DoorDash, Deliveroo). The concept is universal, allowing platform companies to operate globally to defray costs across a larger revenue stream.

The approach targets a regulated industry with decent margins, attacking incumbents and existing operating models. The suppliers are typically non-traditional. Instead of trained drivers, ordinary individuals use their own cars to ferry passengers to and from destinations. Surplus accommodation, such as empty homes or spare rooms, substitute for traditional hotels.

The platforms lower the cost, increasing access to consumers who may not traditionally use the services. This is achieved in several ways. It is theoretically ‘capital-lite’. The platform acts as a broker, avoiding investment in the assets needed to provide the service. Uber drivers must provide the vehicle. Airbnb hosts own the property. Delivery drivers mostly use their own transport. It minimises the need for fixed costs such as premises.

Labour costs are reduced by the legal ruse of converting employees to independent contractors, avoiding laws specifying minimum wages, loadings for out-of-business hour work, maximum working hours or mandatory breaks, sickness leave, holidays, training costs and other benefits such as health coverage in some places. There is arbitrage of regulatory frameworks. Traditional providers must comply with requirements for licensing, insurance, training, occupational health and safety and minimum service standards. The platforms use the disingenuous argument that they are not in the transport or accommodation business to avoid these standards.

The sharing economy is best thought of as farming out services to the cheapest producer, like outsourcing goods production to emerging markets to take advantage of lower cost.

The platforms undermine existing industries by cannibalising revenues. Uber’s revenues are at the expense of taxis and hire cars unless they can grow the overall market. Other than in locations

The platform economy’s benefits are overstated. We need not cheer a model that cannibalises existing markets, stymies capital creation, arbitrages between regulators and exploits service providers

WHY GIG ECONOMY TURNS THE CLOCK BACK ON PROGRESS

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with poor transport options, this has not been significant despite claims by ride-share companies. The position with hotels and other accommodation providers is similar. It reduces the value of existing franchises with the price of taxi licences and share price of hotel firms having fallen wherever such platforms operate.

Food delivery services may have expanded the market and reach of restaurants although setup costs, marketing fees and commissions payable to platforms, ranging from 15 to 30 percent, can significantly impact restaurants’ profit margins, especially where they are small. It has also changed eating habits with consumers increasingly addicted to convenience leading to an offsetting decline in purchase of food ingredients and falls in nutrition quality. It has also influenced industry structure with some larger restaurants creating ‘ghost kitchens’ focused on online deliveries to lower costs.

As with many digital innovations, the sharing economy’s economic benefits are overstated.

Cannibalisation means that overall sector revenues may be unchanged. Even if volumes increase, lower cost reduces the overall income. Using existing unused assets is environmentally desirable but reduces investment in and purchases of new productive capacity. Where the State compensates existing providers, such as taxi and hire car licensees, for the diminution of value of licences the sharing economy is effectively subsidised by taxpayers. Any benefits may be offset by the disclosure of personal data, loss of privacy, cybercrime and security expenses to protect data and electronic payments.

The sharing economy entails a redistribution of income and wealth from providers and employees to customers. Service providers in advanced economies earn the minimum wage at best. In emerging

NEED TO RECALIBRATE THE CODE

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inal law stipulated that the ‘relevant time’ (look-back period) for scrutinising such transactions was counted from the date the application was admitted. But delays in admission often led to promoters using the backlog as a shield to strip assets.

The Bill pragmatically shifts the start of the look-back period to the date of application filing, thereby extending the resolution process’ investigative reach. Further increasing accountability, the Bill codifies precise definitions of ‘avoidance transaction’ and ‘fraudulent or wrongful trading’.



The proposed amendments to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code should expedite resolutions and enhance creditor confidence. The parliamentary panel perusing the Bill must also improve the National Company Law Tribunal’s capacity to make the changes effective

It ventures into new territory by proposing frameworks for complex situations that the original Code did not contemplate. The introduction of a creditor-initiated insolvency resolution process (CIIRP) offers an out-of-court alternative to the full process. This will allow specified financial creditors to initiate a resolution while the debtor’s management remains in control under supervision—a faster and more cost-effective solution for early-stage distress.

The introduction of Chapter VA, titled ‘Group Insolvency’, empowers the central government to prescribe rules for the coordination of insolvency proceedings involving multiple corporate debtors within a group. This provision is a long-overdue reform that acknowledges the economic

reality of interconnected corporate structures. This framework can prevent the value erosion that often results from fragmented insolvency proceedings.

Despite these significant changes, the Bill’s focus on procedural fixes overlooks several fundamental challenges. While addressing the symptoms of delay, it fails to cure the underlying disease: the chronic lack of institutional capacity at the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT). If the NCLT remains overburdened, these legislative mandates may prove aspirational at best. An architectural design that demands speed without reinforcing the foundations is inherently fragile.

The new CIIRP framework is experimental. Its success will depend heavily on the substance of the rules framed by the government to prevent its misuse as a coercive tool by creditors. The new chapter on group insolvency introduces a much-anticipated framework for handling the insolvency of interconnected companies. But as the committee report clarifies, this is not a move towards automatic substantive consolidation.

Instead, the Bill provides for a voluntary, procedural coordination mechanism. It empowers the Centre to frame rules for measures like a common NCLT bench, a group coordinator, and a group committee of creditors. However, a truly comprehensive group insolvency framework must go beyond procedural coordination and substantive consolidation to address perverse behaviours that are common within complex corporate structures.

Future amendments should introduce provisions for “contribution orders”, similar to the regime in Australia, where a parent company can be held liable for the debts of an insolvent subsidiary if it was aware, or should have been aware, that the subsidiary was trading while insolvent.

To create a robust, fair and effective regime that reflects the economic realities of modern commerce, the legislature must build upon the foundation. A legislative framework that ignores systemic capacity issues and elevates procedural efficiency above substantive justice risks becoming a cure worse than the disease.

(Views are personal)

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Trump effect

Ref: *India-EU pact opens window* (Jan 29). Of all people, Donald Trump must be credited for the trade deal. His tariff threats hastened the central government in its resolve to explore new frontiers of trade and sign pacts. US allies, too, have ditched Trump for exploiting principles to suit his requirements. **Parthasarathy Mandadi, Tirupati**

Pawar conspiracies

Ref: *Pawar loss* (Jan 29). The need of the hour is to rectify the reaction to Ajit Pawar’s tragic death with serious politics. Political parties playing vulture politics with conspiracy theories have no sense of empathy for the deceased’s family. Sharad Pawar’s clarification deserves appreciation. The nation has lost a unique personality with realistic views and actions in the critical time of petty politicking. **Jitendranath Guru, Padampur**

Probing crash

Ref: *Maha shocker* (Jan 29). The crash points to many air-travel safety gaps. On the face of it, it looks like an error in judging the weather conditions before landing. Only a thorough probe can confirm if the pilots made the choice in panic or because of fuel shortage. **Govardhana Myneedu, Vijayawada**

Vulnerable students

Ref: *HC judge’s PhD paper* (Jan 29). I once treated a university student, who in emotional jittery of being offended by a clerk, consumed a full bottle of Monophos, a strong pesticide. We could not save him in spite of very good attempts. We treated 30 poisoning-related patients during the time. Students should be counselled while entering higher education, and the faculty and management trained by professional to reduce the impact of student suicides. **Dr S Shammugam, Tirunelveli**

Cricket rancour

Ref: *Bangladesh shooters* (Jan 29). It’s clear that Bangladesh’s refusal to play in India is not out of any cross-border conflict but out of silly rancour among cricketing circles. Pakistan’s support only adds to the ugliness. **Sanath Kumar T S, Thrissur**

Last-mile welfare

Ref: *Prez talks about VB-6 RAM G* (Jan 29). Welfare should reach the last person without leakages. Transparency and Centre-state cooperation are essential. If words match on-ground effective action, social justice will become a lived reality for all. **T Kailash Ditya, Hyderabad**

SCHOOLS AND ENROLMENT IN INDIA (2024-25, UDISE+)

INDICATOR	VALUE
Total students	24.69 Cr
Total schools	14,711
Total teachers	1.01 Cr
Govt schools	69%
Govt school students	50%
Pvt schools	26%
Pvt school students	41%

GROSS ENROLMENT RATIO

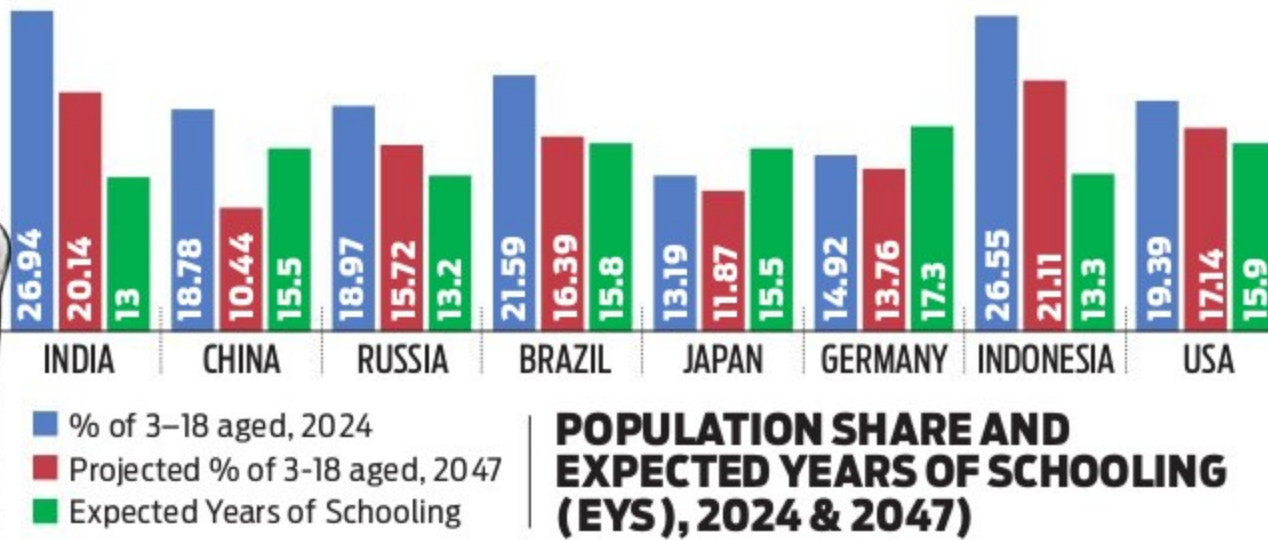
Stage	Grades	GER (%)
Foundational	Pre-primary-II	41.4
Preparatory	III to V	95.4
Middle	VI to VIII	90.3
Secondary	IX to XII	68.5

OBESITY UNDER 5

2015-16	2019-21	Projection 2035
2.1 %	3.4%	8 Crore children

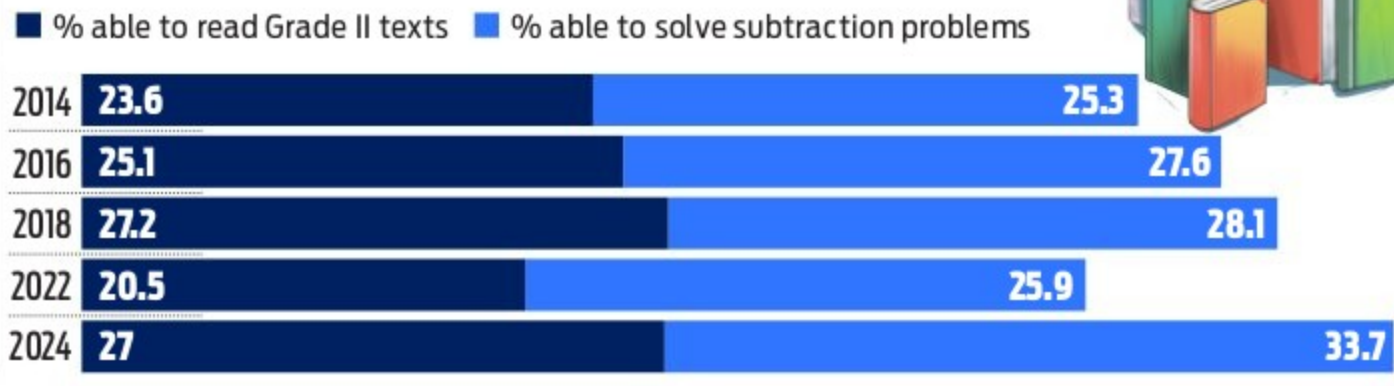
REASONS FOR DROPOUT (14-18 YEARS 2023-24)

INDICATOR	VALUE
Total out-of-school adolescents	2 crore
% dropping out to earn money	44
% boys dropping out to earn money	67
% girls leaving due to domestic work	55



POPULATION SHARE AND EXPECTED YEARS OF SCHOOLING (EYS), 2024 & 2047

GRADE III CHILDREN ACADEMIC CAPACITY (2014-2024)



Passenger fare hikes cut rlys' dependence on freight

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Economic Survey for 2025-26, tabled in Parliament on Thursday, stated that the rationalisation of passenger fares over the past five years has had an impact on freight earnings.

According to the Survey, the Railway Ministry rationalised passenger fares on three occasions during this period, leading to a gradual decline in the share of freight earnings in total revenue from 68% to 65%. It further projected that this share could fall to 62%.

The survey highlighted the issue of cross-subsidisation in railway traffic, under which profits generated from freight services are used to offset losses incurred in passenger and other services.

"During the last five years, passenger fare of the railways has been rationalised on three occasions, i.e., on January 1, 2020, July 1, 2025, and December 26, 2025, and consequently, the share of freight earnings in gross traffic receipts declined gradually from 68% in the financial year-23 to 65% in financial year-25 and is budgeted to be 62% in financial year-26", the Economic Survey report mentioned.

Referring to the financial year 2022-23, the survey noted that freight earnings accounted for around 68% of the Railways' gross traffic receipts, which represent total earnings. However, profits from freight operations were used to compensate for losses in passenger and other services, resulting in an uncovered loss of ₹5,257 crore from all the passenger operations.

"The Comptroller and Auditor General of India has recommended critically analysing the cost of passenger operations, taking steps to reduce its losses," the survey said.

Work not done on ground, cost rise led to MGNREGA move

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE Economic Survey has endorsed the newly enacted Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin), or VB-G RAM G Act, 2025, citing declining work demand under the MGNREGS as the reason for the overhaul. Tabled in Parliament on Thursday, the Survey said MGNREGS, enacted in 2005, provided wage employment, stabilised rural incomes and created infrastructure, but rural employment needs have changed.

"While MGNREGS has long served as a critical safety net for rural households, recent trends reveal a notable decline in work demand," the Survey said. Person-days fell from a pandemic peak of 389.09 crore in FY21 to about 183.77 crore in FY26 up to December 31, 2025, a decline of more than 53 per cent.

The decline coincided with a fall in rural unemployment from 3.3% in 2020-21 to 2.5% in 2023-24, suggesting wider access to non-farm jobs. The survey said this pointed to stronger rural economic conditions and reduced reliance on MGNREGS. Women's participation rose from 48 per cent to 58.1% between FY14 and FY25, Aadhaar seeding expanded, and electronic wage payments became nearly universal.

However, structural issues persisted, including work not executed on the ground, gaps between expenditure and physical progress, the use of machines in labour-intensive works, and the bypassing of digital attendance systems. "Against this backdrop, the government enacted the RAM G Act, 2025," the survey said.



SOCIAL SECTOR PARADOX IN SURVEY

Survey on core eco sectors & social areas shows progress in health, but stagnation in edu & urbanisation

VISMAY BASU @ New Delhi

ECONOMIC surveys are an important source of information on India's economy. They provide detailed data on core economic sectors and social areas such as education, health, and urbanisation.

In education, it notes that elementary school enrolment is almost universal, but learning levels remain low. National assessments show that many students in upper primary classes are unable to read simple texts or solve basic arithmetic problems. These gaps are larger among rural children and students from marginalised communities. The survey stresses that improving foundational literacy

and numeracy is the biggest challenge. Although India has about 27% of the world's population in the relevant age group, expected years of schooling stand at only 13, lower than China, Japan, Indonesia, Germany, and the US.

According to UDISE+ 2024-25, India's school system includes 24.69 crore students, 14.71 lakh schools, and over 1.01 crore teachers. Government schools account for 69% of schools and enrol nearly half of all students, while private schools form 26% and enrol 41%. Under the National Education Policy, the gross enrolment ratio is 41.4 at the foundational stage, 95.4 at the pre-



paratory stage, 90.3 at the middle stage, and falls to 68.5 at the secondary stage. Net enrolment at the secondary level is only 52.2%, showing large dropouts after Grade VIII.

PARAKH Rashtriya Sarvekshan 2024 results show a strong recovery after COVID-19, especially in Grade III. Girls perform slightly better than boys in language, while results in mathematics are similar. Rural students and students in government schools perform better in foundational learning. Mathematics proficiency increased from 42% in 2021 to 65% in 2024, while language proficiency rose from 39% to 57%.

The problem of out-of-school

children is mainly seen among adolescents aged 14 to 18, with nearly 2 crore adolescents not enrolled.

In health, the survey reports major long-term progress. Maternal mortality has declined sharply, under-five deaths have reduced, and life expectancy has increased to over 70 years. Digital health initiatives and insurance programmes have improved access, but rising non-communicable diseases and obesity pose new challenges.

Urbanisation is highlighted as a key constraint. Cities produce much of India's output but lack the financial power to sustain it. Low municipal revenues limit spending on housing, transport, sanitation, and climate resilience.

SMARTPHONE USE CAUSING MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AMONG YOUTH

With internet and smartphone access rising among young Indians, "access is no longer" the binding constraint, the Economic Survey 2025-26 said. It warned excessive and compulsive digital use is emerging as a serious socio-economic and mental health challenge. The survey flagged growing risks of social media and digital app addiction among people aged 15-29, calling for greater focus on "digital hygiene" and the nature of online content being consumed. It said that while digital access has expanded opportunities unchecked and high-intensity use is imposing tangible costs. —ENS

Energy standoff: Global capital enough, but doesn't flow at scale to developing countries

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

IN its Economic Survey 2025-26, India flagged global turmoil as a major obstacle to achieving its net-zero goal. The Survey said the energy transition is no longer a purely technological shift but a set of difficult trade-offs, exposing a growing gap between ambition and operational reality.

It noted that shortages of global funding, skilled labour, infrastructure and supply chains for critical materials have slowed decarbonisation and adaptation efforts worldwide. The Survey expressed

concern that inadequate funding flows to developing countries restricts their ability to balance industrial competitiveness with environmental protection.

India said it depends largely on domestic resources for its transition because international finance and regulations remain binding constraints. "While global capital is abundant, it does not flow at scale to developing countries due to structural features of the international financial system and risk perceptions, resulting in a high cost of capital," it stated.

Despite rising adaptation needs,

international and private capital remains limited and focused mainly on mitigation. The 2025 Adaptation Gap Report estimates that developing countries will need \$310-365 billion annually by 2035, compared with about \$26 billion currently available.

To address this gap, India increased domestic spending on adaptation and resilience from 3.7% of GDP in FY16 to 5.6% in FY22. Climate action is guided by the National Action Plan on Climate Change and its nine missions, many of which are focused on adaptation.

Our democracy a beacon of hope for world: Modi

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday urged Members of Parliament to work collectively for national growth, a day after President Droupadi Murmu appealed for unity on national issues. Addressing the media at the Parliament complex ahead of the Budget Session, Modi said India's democracy and demography were "a beacon of hope for the world".

Outlining government's roadmap for making India a developed and self-reliant nation by 2047, he said, "Our government believes in reform, perform and transform. The nation is moving rapidly on the Reform Ex-



press." Referring to the President's address to the joint sitting of both Houses on Wednesday, Modi said it reflected the self-confidence of 140 crore Indians and articulated the aspirations of the people, especially the

PM's reply to Motion of Thanks in Lok Sabha on Feb 4

PM Narendra Modi will reply to the Motion of Thanks on the President's address in the Lok Sabha on February 4 during the Budget Session of Parliament. The government has allotted 18 hours in the Lok Sabha for discussion on the Motion of Thanks to the President's address to the joint session of Parliament during the Budget Session. The discussion will be held on February 2, 3, and 4. The decision was made at a meeting of the Lok Sabha's Business Advisory Committee (BAC) on Thursday. The Rajya Sabha will discuss the Motion of Thanks to the President's address for 16 hours on February 2, 3, and 4. The Upper House will hold a general discussion on the Budget for 16 hours. The decision was taken at a meeting of the BAC of the Upper House.

youth. "The President's address has laid down guiding thoughts for all honourable MPs," he said, adding that the Budget Session was a crucial one.

The PM said the country had entered a decisive 25-year phase

to achieve the goal of a developed India by 2047. "This is the first Budget of the second quarter of this century," he said. He noted that Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman would present the Budget for the ninth

consecutive time, becoming the first woman finance minister to do so. Modi described it as a moment of pride in India's parliamentary history.

Modi said a self-confident India had emerged as a ray of hope and a centre of attraction for the world. He described the FTA signed with the European Union as "the mother of all deals" aimed at aspirational youth and a self-reliant India.

Emphasising the importance of quality products and setting benchmarks in India's manufacturing drive, he said, "If we go with top-class quality, we will not only earn revenue from buyers across the EU, but we will also win their hearts."

ALSO IN TOP COURT

SC reserves verdict in earlier stray dogs order

The Supreme Court on Thursday reserved its verdict on a batch of pleas seeking modification of earlier orders in the stray dogs case. The bench reserved its decision after hearing amicus curiae Gaurav Agarwal, who summarised the steps taken by states like Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan.

'CCTVs in police stations not enough'

While hearing a suo-motu case in connection with unfunctional CCTV cameras in police stations across Rajasthan, the SC was of the opinion that mere installation of CCTVs is not enough; it should also work properly. The Rajasthan government said that additional budget of ₹75 crores was sanctioned.



'CLEAN ENERGY NOT A SECTORAL AGENDA, BUT KEY TO GROWTH'

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

P K Mishra, principal secretary to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, said on Thursday that clean energy is deeply embedded in India's vision of Viksit Bharat. Speaking at an international conference on green energy, titled "Sustainable Energy Transition: Global Perspective", he said that green energy is no longer a sectoral agenda, but has become central to India's push for growth, competitiveness, social inclusion, and energy security.

Building on Modi's words during India Energy Week last year, where he said, "A developed India will be built on clean energy, green growth, and sustainable lifestyles", Mishra said that India's energy transition since 2014 offers two key lessons. "Firstly, ambitious targets gain credibility only when they are supported by institutional architecture, sustained financial commitment, and consistent execution... Secondly, energy transitions are most



durable when they deliver tangible welfare gains."

He said that India has already reduced the emissions intensity of its GDP by about 36 per cent between 2005 and 2020 and became the first G20 country to meet its Paris Agreement commitments nine years ahead of the 2030 timeline. "It is against this backdrop that we must view India's energy transition strategy," he said and highlighted how diversification of energy sources has contributed significantly to decarbonisation and energy security. He also underlined that India has undertaken a historic reform by opening nuclear energy to private participation through recent legislative initiatives.

Palestine says India can play role of a mediator with Israel to find peace

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PALESTINIAN Foreign Minister Varsen Aghabekian on Thursday said India could play a mediating role between Israel and Palestine, citing New Delhi's long-standing political support and developmental assistance to the Palestinian people. Speaking at a press conference in New Delhi ahead of the India-Arab Foreign Ministers' Meeting, he said India's position on international law and a two-state solution was "very clear" to Palestine.

"India, a great nation, has stood with the people of Palestine," Aghabekian said, adding that Palestine believed New Delhi could help bring an end to the ongoing war in Gaza. Referring to the situation in the enclave, he alleged that 82% of Gaza's infrastructure had been destroyed and over 72,000 people had been killed. "What we witnessed in Gaza was witnessed live on TV. This situation is not acceptable," she said, claiming violations of international law. The minister reiterated that



Palestinian Foreign Minister Varsen Aghabekian is in New Delhi ahead of the second India-Arab Foreign Ministers' Meeting, scheduled for January 31, 2026

the Palestinian issue could not be viewed in isolation or as a recent development. "The Palestinian struggle did not start two years ago, nor 10 years ago, nor in 1967. It started over 100 years ago," she said, referring to the Balfour Declaration and the subsequent displacement of Palestinians.

Aghabekian expressed appreciation for India's developmental assistance, particularly in education, healthcare and social infrastructure. She

highlighted Indian-backed schools across the West Bank, support for hospitals and specialised medical centres, and assistance for multipurpose facilities such as sports and recreation centres for Palestinian children. At the diplomatic level, she noted India's support for building the Palestinian Diplomatic Institute, which is nearing completion and is expected to strengthen training and exchanges for Palestinian diplomats.

'Can criticise govt under his democratic rights?' Wangchuk to top court

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

ACTIVIST Sonam Wangchuk on Thursday told the Supreme Court that he has a democratic right to criticise and protest against the government and that such sentiments do not threaten the security of the state to warrant his detention.

The submission was made by Senior Advocate Kapil Sibal, arguing for Wangchuk's wife, Gitanjali J Angmo. Sibal added that there is no case of violence against him. "Whatever he has done is purely in a peaceful manner. No violence, only through peaceful means," he told the SC.

The climate activist was detained under the National Security Act (NSA) at a jail in Rajasthan following protests in Leh in September 2025 over demands of statehood and Sixth Schedule status for the Union Territory of Ladakh.

The court directed that Wangchuk be examined by a specialist after he complained of stomach issues due to contaminated water. Claiming innocence in the case, Sibal added that he always praised the government and PM's work. Advocating

a plebiscite, as alleged, is wrong. Sibal further pointed out that Wangchuk was charged and alleged by the agency that he instigated people at border, which was completely baseless. He has always followed peaceful path of "anshan and padyatras" (hunger strikes and march) as shown by Gandhiji.

"There's the padyatras and anshans. These are not violent acts. The ground of detention has to be on proactive acts of violence attributed to me," he argued. Sibal alleged that many of the statements cited against him have been misattributed or misquoted and not understood in the proper context. Questioning the detention order as illegal and arbitrary, Sibal said, a detaining authority relying on a statement must rely on the entire statement and not on a sentence or two. "The whole detention order is based on excerpts, out of context, misleading, false, thereby suggesting a selective approach, malafide in nature," Sibal said.

Citing a video, Sibal said that it had been wrongly alleged that Wangchuk stated that he would overthrow the government if Ladakh was not granted statehood.

Pitch for Ajit Pawar's wife as DyCM amid NCP merger talks

Insiders suggest she vacate her RS seat, contest Baramati bypoll and take charge as MLA

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

AFTER the funeral rites for Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar, the NCP has entered an internal churn over leadership succession and its future direction. Senior NCP minister Narhari Zirwal has formally demanded that Sunetra Pawar be elevated to the post held by her late husband.

Zirwal, considered close to Ajit Pawar and known to share a good relationship with Sharad Pawar, said Ajit Pawar had been spearheading advanced NCP merger talks. "Both NCPs honestly feel we should now come together if we want to remain a major party and political force in the state. We cannot afford to stay separate. We also feel that Sunetra Pawar should be made DCM in place of Ajit Dada," Zirwal said.

According to sources, internal NCP discussions suggest Sunetra Pawar, currently a Rajya Sabha member, should resign her seat, contest the Baramati Assembly byelection, and assume office as an MLA and DCM. "Parth Pawar, Ajit Pawar's elder son, should replace his mother in the Rajya Sabha. The majority of NCP leaders are fine with this arrangement to keep the flock together, and the BJP will also be fine with



A file picture of deceased NCP leader Ajit Pawar with wife Sunetra in Mumbai. | PTI

it," a senior leader said.

The leader linked this assessment to the BJP's public outreach following Ajit Pawar's death. "On Thursday, surprisingly, the Maharashtra BJP unit published a full front-page advertisement in vernacular newspapers as homage to Ajit Pawar, calling him Dada with his picture in the background. It shows that in his absence, the BJP has decided to take ownership of the NCP and its well-being for the time being. They cannot afford the NCP getting fragmented because that secular and progressive space can be occupied by the Congress if its leadership is smart enough,"



the leader said.

He added, "Besides, for Ajit Pawar's final rites, a majority of BJP leaders, including Union minister Amit Shah, BJP president Nitin Nabin, Nitin Gadkari, Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant, Union minister of state Raksha Khadse, Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnis and his entire cabinet, were present, while there was a conspicuous absence of the top leadership of the Congress party."

On the NCP front, Sharad Pawar-led NCP (SP) leader and former minister Rajesh Tope confirmed the merger talks and pointed out that both factions

jointly contested the Pune and Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation elections and are also contesting the District Panchayat elections together, using only the NCP's clock symbol. "So, in that way, mutual understanding took place between the NCP leaders. Now, Sharad Pawar and Sunetra Pawar should take the lead and merge both the NCPs for the larger interest of the party cadre," he said.

Sources also indicated that Sharad Pawar has already consented in principle to the merger. "Sharad Pawar is not in a position to rekindle the cadre and put up a brave fight against the BJP. Besides, none in the NCP wants to sit in opposition. They want to continue to share power in the state and at the Centre; therefore, another big deal with the BJP may happen ahead of the NCP merger," a senior NCP leader said.

Meanwhile, Shiv Sena (UBT) leader Sanjay Raut reacted strongly to the Maharashtra BJP's full-page advertisement paying homage to Ajit Pawar. He said the BJP should first withdraw the ₹70,000 crore irrigation scam allegation against Ajit Pawar and clear his name, adding that would be a real tribute to him, rather than advertisements.

Fissure in Bengal CPM after party secy meets Kabir at Kolkata hotel

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata



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Humayun Kabir

Move raises eyebrows

A section of the state leadership of CPM asked why Salim met Kabir instead of deputing senior leaders. A CPM insider also said that Salim should have raised the issue at the weekly state secretariat meeting itself instead

CRACKS have appeared within the West Bengal CPM after state secretary Md Salim met Humayun Kabir, chairman of the Janata Unnayan Party and former Trinamool Congress MLA from Bharatpur, at a hotel in New Town, triggering speculation of an electoral understanding.

Salim held a meeting with Kabir, who courted controversy over the foundation laying of a Babri Masjid-style mosque at Beldanga in Murshidabad district. Salim said any seat-sharing proposal would be discussed within the CPM-led Left Front. The meeting, allegedly held without informing Alimuddin Street, has stirred controversy as the Election Commission is expected to announce poll dates by mid-March. CPM insiders said the party faced its first major controversy since the "historic blunder" of denying Jyoti Basu approval to become Prime Minister in 1996.

A section of the state leadership questioned why Salim met Kabir instead of deputing senior leaders. A CPM insider said Salim should have raised the issue at the weekly state secretariat meeting, adding that nothing related to Kabir was discussed despite the meeting being held the same day. "The meeting with Kabir may damage the CPM's secular image in the elections and prompt the BJP to make it an issue."

Sources close to Salim said the meeting was exploratory and no decision was taken. After the meeting, Kabir said, "I discussed several issues. I proposed an electoral alliance with the CPM. Nothing is materialised. I urged Salim saheb to finalise the alliance process by February 15."

Salim said, "I wanted to know from him what he wants to do. We will discuss the proposal in the Left Front and thereafter with Leftist parties outside the Front, then with the ISF." The CPM-led Left Front contested the 2021 Assembly elections with the Indian Secular Front but failed to open its account, while ISF's Naushad Siddiqui became the lone opposition MLA outside the BJP.

Hike in women's employment scheme in Bihar

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

IN a significant development, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Thursday announced a hike in financial assistance for women entrepreneurs in the state under the Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana from ₹10,000 to ₹2 lakh.

Over 1.56 crore women entrepreneurs are expected to benefit from the move. Making the announcement after a Cabinet meeting, Nitish shared details of the scheme on X (formerly Twitter). "The necessary instructions have been issued to the departments concerned in this regard," he said, adding, "The enhanced amount will be released in a phased manner after an assessment of the beneficiaries' work models after six months."

It may be recalled that the Nitish Kumar-led NDA had pledged ₹10,000 each to women entrepreneurs in the state in the run-up to the Assembly elections held in November last year. The announcement yielded rich electoral dividends for the ruling alliance as women voters cast their votes overwhelmingly in its favour. It helped the NDA register a landslide victory and won 202 seats in the 243-member Assembly.

2 Kashmiri shawl sellers beaten up in U'khand, main accused arrested

NARENDRA SETHI & FAYAZ WANI @ Dehradun/Srinagar

IN another assault targeting Kashmiri traders, a 17-year-old Kashmiri shawl seller was brutally assaulted in Uttarakhand, while his elder brother escaped with minor injuries.

The incident occurred on Wednesday evening on Dakpatthar Road. According to reports, Danish (18) and Tavish, both residents of Karapur, Jammu, had gone to a local general store to purchase supplies. The situation turned volatile when individuals at the shop reportedly began hurling religious slurs and making inflammatory remarks linking the youths to recent terror activities in Pahalgam.

The verbal altercation quickly escalated into a physical hunt. The victims alleged that they were cornered and attacked with iron rods. Danish sustained a fractured left arm and severe head injuries, while Tavish also suffered multiple bruises across his body.

The news of the attack triggered an outcry. Members of the Muslim community gathered at the Vikasnagar Market Chowki, carrying the injured



Victim Tavish who was assaulted by fringe elements in Uttarakhand | EXPRESS

Omar seeks swift action

J&K CM Omar has urged Dhama to ensure the safety of J&K people living in Uttarakhand. Meanwhile, the Uttarakhand Police registered an FIR at Vikasnagar Police Station against the accused Sanjay Yadav and one other person under Sections 117(2) and 352 of the BNS. Yadav has been taken into custody.

youths and chanting slogans.

Nasir Khuehami, convenor for the Jammu and Kashmir Students Association, condemned the "heart-wrenching" incident and urged CM Pushkar Singh Dhama for action.

J&K CM Omar Abdullah spoke with his Uttarakhand counterpart and urged him to ensure safety of J&K people living in the state.

Bihar group, J'khand farmer, Odisha bizman in ganja gang

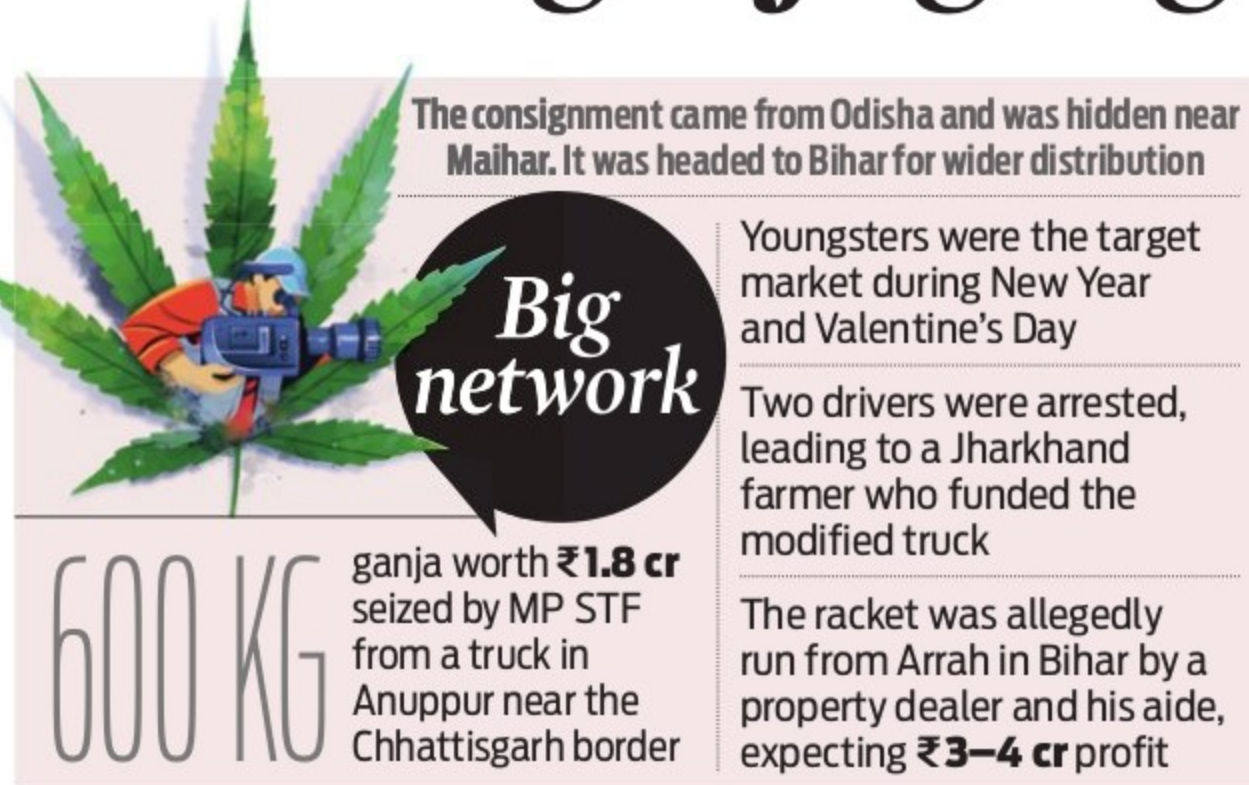
ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

A massive inter-state ganja smuggling racket sourcing cannabis from Naxal-affected Odisha has been busted, with investigators identifying key players, including a property dealer in Bihar, his associate and a big farmer in Jharkhand, and an automobile businessman in Odisha.

A Madhya Pradesh Special Task Force recently seized a truck with multiple concealed chambers carrying 600 kg of ganja in Anuppur district on the Chhattisgarh-MP border. The consignment, valued at ₹1.8 crore, was allegedly meant for distribution across several states after being hidden in forests near Maihar for days.

From Maihar, the consignment was to be routed to Arrah town in western Bihar and then supplied to various networks for sale in pubs, hotels, restaurants and hostels during the New Year and Valentine's Day season. "Youngsters, including college students and working professionals, were the main target," sources linked to the probe said.

The truck, travelling from Odisha, was driven in shifts by two men from Sidhi and Satna



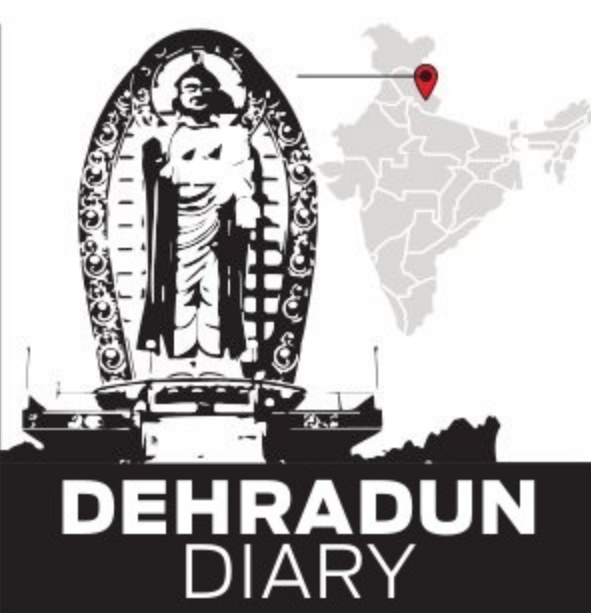
districts, both of whom were arrested. Their interrogation led police to Jharkhand and to farmer Ramesh Lal, who allegedly invested ₹37 lakh to procure and modify the truck with secret compartments.

Investigators say the racket's nucleus operated from Arrah, led by Bhupendra Singh, who posed as a builder, with aide Dilip Kumar. "He paid ₹35 lakh in advance to an Odisha middleman and expected profits of ₹3-4 crore. This was the fourth such consignment in three months," said additional SP Rajesh Singh Bhadauria, MPSTF.

MPSTF teams are searching for Bhupendra and Dilip, while

another team traced the ganja source to illegal plantations in the forests of Koraput, Odisha, a Maoist hotbed. "Kilometres of forest had only ganja crops," said deputy SP Santosh Tiwari.

An automobile businessman in Koraput allegedly acted as the link between cultivators and Bihar's 'Golden Gang', also supplying networks in Visakhapatnam. Investigators said Arrah and Visakhapatnam are major hubs for narcotics sourced from Odisha. Police are now tracking money trails and links to a similar truck seized in Chhattisgarh, using circuitous routes through the Naxal-hit Chhattisgarh forests region.



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Travel allowance for ministers raised

In a significant decision, the Uttarakhand government has hiked the travel allowance for ministers by ₹30,000 per month, effective immediately. The new allowance stands at ₹90,000 per month, up from the previous ₹60,000. This move comes amid the state grappling with economic challenges. The decision was announced through a notification issued by the Council of Ministers, amending the Uttar Pradesh Minister (Travel Allowance) Rules, 1997. With this, ministers, including the Chief Minister, State Ministers, and Deputy Ministers, can now claim up to ₹90,000 per month for official travels within the state or country.



SOPs for Kedarnath heli operations tightened

Authorities are tightening the reins on Kedarnath helicopter operations. Following tragic crashes in Uttarakashi and Gauri Mai Khark that claimed 13 lives, the DGCA has mandated a strict "no-fly" rule before sunrise and after sunset. Challenging Himalayan terrain and erratic weather remain concerns. Under the new SOP, flight frequency in the valley will drop by 30%, and operations will halt instantly during poor visibility. Only veteran pilots with high-altitude expertise will man the cockpits. For pilgrims, safety now takes precedence over speed, ensuring the spiritual journey remains a safe passage through the treacherous peaks.

Sky-high spectacle at Tehri Acro Fest

The Tehri Acro Festival and National SIV Championship saw the skyline transform into a vibrant canvas. Fifty-seven elite pilots, including twenty-five international competitors, executed breathtaking maneuvers during the SIV Championship rounds. Beyond the adrenaline, District Tourism Officer Sobat Singh Rana emphasised Uttarakhand's vision to become a premier global adventure hub. A standout feature of CM Pushkar Singh Dhama's initiative is the integration of AI-based digital experiences. By scanning QR codes, visitors can enjoy virtual tours of the valley's paragliding thrills without downloading any apps.

Surguja decked up for olympics preparations

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

CHHATTISGARH CM Vishnu Deo Sai on Thursday unveiled the official logo and mascot, 'Gajru', for the upcoming Surguja Olympics. The initiative marks a major push by the state government to provide a structured sporting platform for tribal youths in northern Chhattisgarh.

Apparently, the event has seen an unprecedented response, with nearly 3.5 lakh athletes registered across six districts. Breaking down the figures, 1.89 lakh women and 1.59 lakh men have signed up to compete, showcasing a significant shift toward women's participation in rural sports.

"The enthusiasm shown by our youth proves that Surguja is ready to mirror the success of the Bastar Olympics," stated CM Sai. The official logo draws inspiration from Mainpat's Tiger Point waterfall, representing the natural energy and greenery of the Surguja divi-



Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai unveils the logo and mascot for the Surguja Olympics on Thursday in the presence of his deputy, Arun Sao | EXPRESS

sion. And 'Gajru' (the elephant) was chosen for its cultural significance in tribal traditions, representing patience, discipline, and collective effort.

The use of vibrant red in the branding pays honour to the Pahadi Korwa tribe, for whom the colour symbolises life energy and courage.

Competitions will be conducted across 12 disciplines, including traditional and mainstream sports kabaddi, kho-kho,

archery, football, volleyball, hockey, wrestling, tug of war among others. The games will progress from block level to district level, culminating in a divisional-level championship.

Deputy CM Arun Sao emphasised that the winners would not just receive medals but a career path. "Top performers will gain direct entry into state training academies and will be recognised as 'Youth Icons' to inspire the next generation," he said.

Two Maoists gunned down in C'garh encounter

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

TWO Maoists were killed in an exchange of fire with security forces in the forested terrain of southern region of Bijapur district on Thursday. The encounter, involving the District Reserve Guard (DRG), resulted in the recovery of an AK-47 rifle, a 9-mm pistol and a significant cache of ammunition.

Acting on specific intel input, a DRG team launched a search operation in the early hours of Thursday, a senior police official said, adding that the exchange of fire continued intermittently for several hours. Following the firefight, security personnel recovered the bodies of two unidentified Maoists from the site.

Gehlot's anti-lynching, honour killing laws among 10 bills returned by Guv

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

IN a major move, the Rajasthan Governor has returned 10 bills to the state Legislative Assembly for reconsideration, citing legal and constitutional concerns. Of these, nine bills were passed during the previous Ashok Gehlot-led Congress government, while one dates back to the former chief minister Vasundhara Raje's first term in 2008. The development was disclosed in the Assembly on Wednesday.

Under constitutional provisions, a Governor may return a state bill if its provisions are found to be in conflict with existing central laws. States are empowered to legislate only on subjects listed in the State List. In matters under the Concurrent List, both the Centre and the states can enact laws; however, in the event of a conflict, central legislation prevails and

'LEGAL CONCERN'

- 1 Governor has cited legal and constitutional concerns
- 2 Nine of 10 Bills returned were passed under Gehlot
- 3 One Bill dates back to Raje's first term in 2008

state laws cannot override it.

A similar situation arose during Vasundhara Raje's tenure when the Freedom of Religion Bill was returned by the then Governor, Pratibha Patil. The bill was subsequently reintroduced and forwarded to the Centre for the President's assent, where it remained pending for several years.

According to information placed before the Assembly, while returning the 2019 Bill related to honour killings, the Governor pointed out that the

proposed law referred to the Indian Penal Code (IPC), 1860, and the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC), 1973—both of which have since been replaced. The Governor noted that Section 103 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 already contains adequate provisions to address the offence of honour killing.

The nine bills passed during the Gehlot government that have been returned include the Rajasthan Protection from Lynching Bill, 2019; the Rajasthan Prohibition of Interference with Freedom of Marital Relationships in the Name of Honour and Tradition Bill, 2019; three agriculture-related amendment Bills passed in November 2020; two private university Bills cleared in 2022; and the Rajasthan Electricity (Tariff) Bill, 2023, and the Nathdwara Temple (Amendment) Bill, 2023, both passed in August 2023.

PUBLIC NOTICE

the undersigned acting on behalf of my clients Smt. Sarangamma have filed the petition for death certificate of deceased Gopal N Sri Pallayyan who was died on 28-02-2024 at Vijayanagara District, Karnataka Post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore- 562157. If any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interested parties appear before the ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE and J.M.F.C at Dhanwanthi on date of hearing on 03/02/2026 at 11:00 AM in C.Ms No. 668/2025.

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & J.M.F.C Court, Dhanwanthi
Sri Aruna V., Advocate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that, my Client Mrs. S.Geetha Bai, W/o. Mr. R. Ramesh Rao, resident of No.35/116, 'Geetha Nilaya' Kaverinagara, Kathrigruppe, BSK III Stage, Bengaluru-560 085, had filed a Suit in O.S.No.2708/2020 against Mr. D.M.Ambirish S/o. Late D.P. Muniyappa resident of No.243, 'Vasanthanagara Nilaya', 13th Street, Vinayakanagara, Devasandra, K.R. Puram, Bengaluru-560 036 for the relief of Declaration to Declare that, the unregistered Sale Agreement dated 05.12.2018 in respect of the schedule property has been declared as not binding and enforceable against my Client and a mandatory injunction to handover the Original Release Deed dated 03.12.2018, in Document No.43352/18-19, Book-I, recorded in C.D.No.BNSD676, registered in the office of the Banasawadi, Bengaluru, vide Judgement Deed dated 17.11.2025 passed by the VI Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge, Bengaluru City (CCH-11).

The General Public is hereby cautioned not to transact with the said Mr. D.M.Ambirish S/o. Late D.P. Muniyappa either by himself or any person or persons claiming under the Authority or in Trust in respect of the schedule property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Western portion Site No.98, Katha No.726, situated at Krishnarajapura, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru-560 036 now within the limits of Jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, ward No.52, measuring **East to West: 22 feet and North to South: 75 feet** in all measuring **1,650 square feet** and bounded on:

East by: Eastern portion of the site No.98 belonging to Gajendra Rao S's property.

West by: Site No.97

North by: Conservancy Road

South by: Road

N. JAIPRAKASH RAO, VEENA RAO, NASHOK KUMAR, SANJANA JAYPTEE JAYPTEE ASSOCIATES "LAW FIRM" #36, 'KRISHNA', 1st Cross, Malleswaram, BANGALORE-560 003.
PH : 23560365, 23468742, 23565286
Contact:jayptee1234@gmail.com
Place: Bengaluru Date: 30/01.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our client (1) Mr. Adinarayana Reddy G and (2) Mrs. Lakshmi Prasanna G has filed a suit in O.S.No.1920/2025 at the Court of the Addl. Civil Judge, 1st Stage, 1st Cross, Kattigehalli, Yelahanka, Bangalore 560064 intends to add a credit facility from M/s Aditya Birla Capital Limited, Victoria Road Bandra, Bangalore by creating a charge on the security of deposit of title deeds in respect of the Schedule Property mentioned below.

That our client has represented that the Sale Deed dated 11th August 2021, duly registered as Document No. 1901/2022, Book 1, stored in CD No. YAND1315, at SRO, Bangalore (herein after referred to as 'Principal Deed') has been executed by (1) Mr. B. Erappa, son of Late Nagappa, (2) Mr. J. K. Jagadeesh, son of Late J. Mahendramurthy, (3) S. Mahendramurthy, son of Late Ramachandrapa, (4) Mr. R. Nanjappa, son of Mr. Ramakrishnappa, and (5) Mrs. Lakshmi M, wife of Mr. M. Nagaraj in favor of Mr. S. R. Mahendramurthy, son of Late Ramachandrapa, hereafter, the name of (1) Mrs. Shanmathamma, wife of Late J. M. Krishnappa, (2) Mrs. Prameela, daughter of Late J. M. Krishnappa and (3) Mrs. Indira, daughter of Late J. M. Krishnappa, represented by their GPA Holder Mr. J. K. Jagadeesh, son of their GPA Holder Mr. J. K. Jagadeesh, son of Late J. M. Krishnappa has been omitted in the Principal Deed due to type error. As such, the said Principal Deed should be read as along with the names of (1) Mrs. Shanmathamma, wife of Late J. M. Krishnappa, (2) Mrs. Prameela, daughter of Late J. M. Krishnappa and (3) Mrs. Indira, daughter of Late J. M. Krishnappa, represented by their GPA Holder Mr. J. K. Jagadeesh, son of their GPA Holder Mr. J. K. Jagadeesh, son of Late J. M. Krishnappa.

Apart from the above discrepancy, there are no other discrepancy and any other persons who have/had any claim, right, title and interest on the Schedule Property, should make his/her claim / objection to the said proposed transaction of extension of credit facility to the address mentioned herein below within 07 days from the date of this notice. In the event no information is received by me within 07 days from the date of the publication of this Notice, the claim or objection, if any shall deemed to have been waived off and our client would proceed with the proposed transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing extent of E Aathi Form B Property Register No.11177/137/138/7, assigned to vacant Site No.07 E-PID No.8730486761, measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 36.7 feet, formed in Survey No.137/48, situated at Kattigenahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently at Kattigenahalli RAMS LAKE VIEW MEADOWS APARTMENT', Bangalore 560 084 and bounded on:

East by: Property bearing Site No.6, West by: Vendor's vacant Property, North by : Road, South by: Private Property.

Name of Advocate: **M/s Target Law** Advocates & Legal Consultants # 59, SAMPIGEE, East Park Road, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore 560 003
Ph: 080 - 4097-2387
Bangalore. Date: 28/01/2026

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE XXXIX ADDL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE (CH-11) AT BANGALURU CITY

P.S. NO.50/2026

1) OLANCHERRY KIZHEKKEKKE VENGOPALAN NAIR (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 2) VINEY RAGHUPATHI S M R Building, Haranuram, Bangalore - 560043 Presently residing at 2530 Huff Ave, Apt. 11, San Jose, California 95128, United States of America 2) **PUNJA NAIR** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 3) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 4) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 5) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 6) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 7) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 8) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 9) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 10) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 11) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 12) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 13) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 14) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. (Defendant) 15) **PAULIA NAIR PRUSHTY** (Plaintiff) Vs. 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LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow
• TDS: Thunderstorm • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

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Colombo	29	23	TDS	Melbourne	17	5	LC
Dhaka	27	16	TDS	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	22	SNY	New York	2	-3	SNY
Houston	30	23	TDS	Singapore	27	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	-6	-8	SNY
London	12	8	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

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Immigration crackdown puts Trump at the centre of growing cultural revolt

NEW YORK

NO longer confined to the partisans and activists, the fierce backlash against Donald Trump's immigration crackdown has begun to break out across American culture, spanning the worlds of business, sports and entertainment.

Bruce Springsteen released a new song Wednesday that slammed "Trump's federal thugs." OpenAI chief executive Sam Altman told employees that "what's happening with ICE is going too far," referring to Immigration and Customs Enforcement. And lifestyle icon Martha Stewart lamented that "we can be attacked and even killed."

"Things must and have to change quickly and peacefully," Stewart wrote to her 2.9 million Instagram followers this week. A little more than one year into his second term, Trump is facing a broad cultural revolt that threatens to undermine his signature domestic priority, the Republican Party's grip on power and his own political strength ahead of the midterm elections.



Donald Trump

Trump, a former reality television star often attuned to changes in public opinion, tried to shift the conversation this week by dispatching border czar Tom Homan to Minnesota to replace Greg Bovino, a Border Patrol commander who has been a lightning rod. But it's unclear if the move will change anything on the ground.

Thousands of federal agents remain in Minnesota, where two US citizens have been killed and communities have felt besieged by Trump's crackdown. Republican strategist Doug Heye said it's too soon to know whether Trump's attempt to control the fallout will work.

NEW VIDEOS SHOW ALEX PRETTI SCUFFLE WITH FEDERAL OFFICERS BEFORE FATAL SHOOTING

WASHINGTON: Alex Pretti was forcefully taken to the ground by federal immigration agents after kicking out the tail light of their vehicle during a Minneapolis protest 11 days before he was shot and killed by Border Patrol officers, videos that emerged Wednesday show. The January 13 scuffle was captured in a pair of videos that show Pretti shouting an expletive at the federal officers and struggling with them. His winter coat comes off when he's on the ground and he either breaks free or the officers let him go and he scurries away. When he turns his back to the camera, what appears to be a handgun is visible in his waistband. At no point do the videos show Pretti reaching for the gun and it is unclear whether the federal agents saw it. A person with knowledge of the incident confirmed to AP that the man in the videos is Pretti and that he had told his family of the confrontation.



Alex Pretti, centre, scuffling with federal officers in Minneapolis | AP

China, UK deepen ties amid unease over Don policies

Strategic partnership agreed as both sides target trade and organised immigration crime

BEIJING

CHINESE President Xi Jinping and British Prime Minister Keir Starmer on Thursday agreed to develop a long-term, stable comprehensive strategic partnership, in a rebuff to US President Donald Trump's unpredictable policies and tariff threats.

During their 80-minute meeting in the Great Hall of the People, watched keenly in Washington, Xi said that the international order has for some time suffered serious disruption, in a veiled attack on Trump's unpredictable policies. International law can only be truly effective when all countries, major countries in particular, abide by it. Otherwise, the world would risk regressing to the law of the jungle, he told Starmer, without mentioning the US. In an apparent reference to Trump's military action against Venezuela and threats to take over Greenland, which is opposed by Britain, Xi said China will never pose a threat to other countries, no matter how it grows and develops.

Starmer, the first British prime minister to visit China in eight years, described the meeting with Xi as "productive" and said there were "real concrete outcomes", adding that the UK's relationship with China is in a "good place, a strong place".

He said that the delegations made progress on tariffs for whisky, as well as the idea of visa-free travel to China, and on information exchange on "irregular migration" and small boats. "Organised immigration

crime and the business model of the smuggling gangs goes beyond borders, and our approach to shut them down must do the same," said Starmer. According to official UK government statistics, more than 60 per cent of all engines used by smuggling gangs last year were found to be branded as Chinese-manufactured engines.

Inflatable dinghies used in small boat crossings across the English Channel, often made using parts sourced in China, have



Britain's Prime Minister Keir Starmer, and Chinese Premier Li Qiang attend a signing ceremony held at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China | AP

been enabling gangs to pack ever larger numbers onto single vessels, with recent crossings carrying over 100 people in increasingly life-threatening conditions, Downing Street said.

Under the new border security agreement, UK law enforcement agencies are expected to work with Chinese authorities to prevent small boat engines and equipment used in Channel crossings getting into the hands of criminal gangs. AP

Vietnam and EU agree on strategic partnership

HANOI

VIETNAM and the European Union on Thursday upgraded ties to a comprehensive strategic partnership, Vietnam's highest diplomatic level, as both recalibrate trade during disruptions to global finance driven by US tariff pressure.

The upgrade places the EU on the same diplomatic footing as the United States, China and Russia and was announced during a visit to Hanoi by European Council President Antonio Costa.

"At a moment when the international rules-based order is under threat from multiple sides, we need to stand side by side as reliable and predictable partners," Costa said, adding that the partnership is about "developing spheres of shared prosperity." Costa arrived in the Vietnamese capital Hanoi after India and the European Union reached a free trade agreement on Tuesday after nearly two decades of negotiation.

Vietnam's President Luong Cuong called the move a "historic milestone." The announcement comes less than a week after Vietnam reelected Communist Party General Secretary To Lam as the country's top leader, endorsing his vision of economic growth driven by aggressive reforms. Vietnam has benefited from globalisation, becoming a key export hub as firms shift production from China.

That export-led growth has helped lift incomes and transform the economy, but Vietnam's large and persistent trade surplus has drawn criticism, particularly from the US and increasingly from Europe, where officials have raised concerns about market access. AP

Democrats halt spending bill over ICE enforcement

WASHINGTON

DEMOCRATS voted to block legislation to fund the Department of Homeland Security and several other agencies on Thursday as they continued to negotiate with Republicans and the White House on new restrictions for President Donald Trump's surge of immigration enforcement.

Thursday's 45-55 test vote came as Democrats have threat-

ened a partial government shutdown when money runs out on Friday. But Trump said just ahead of the vote that "we don't want a shutdown" and the two sides were discussing a possible agreement to separate homeland security funding from the rest of the legislation and fund it for a short time. As the country reels from the deaths of two protesters at

the hands of federal agents in Minneapolis, irate Senate Democrats laid out a list of demands on Wednesday, including that officers take off their masks and identify themselves and obtain warrants for arrest. If those are not met, Democrats say they are prepared to block the wide-ranging spending bill, denying Republicans the votes they need to pass it and trigger-

ing a shutdown. Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer of New York has said that Democrats won't provide needed votes until US Immigration and Customs Enforcement is "reined in and overhauled" and that this is "a moment of truth." "The American people support law enforcement... They do not support ICE terrorising our streets and killing American citizens," Schumer said. AP

MADURAI CORPORATION
TENDER NOTIFICATION
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING
Madurai Corporation invites bids from eligible contractors for the below mentioned works Funded under KfW (SMF-TN-III), CGF and Corporation Fund 2025-26

Name Of Work	Bid Submission Date	Bid Opening Date
E1 / EST 001057 / 2026 Execution of River Front Development works on the Northern side and Southern side bank of Vaigai River in Madurai Corporation Estimate Amount – Rs.76.16 Cr	Upto 02.03.2026 3.00 pm	02.03.2026 4.00 pm

Pre-Bid Meeting Date And Time : 12.02.2026, 11.30 A.M
Other Details can be found at <http://www.tntenders.gov.in> Website.
Contact No: 0452-2540333
DIPR/564/Tender/2026
Commissioner,
Madurai Corporation.

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(A Government of Tamilnadu Undertaking)
No. 417, Pantheon Road, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008.
Phone: 044-28191890, 28190259. Fax: 044-28190636. Website: www.tnmsc.tn.gov.in.

Sl. No.	Online Tender No with qty. / Document Cost	Sale Period	Pre bid	Submission	Opening
1.	E1463/HPV-DNA/NH/MRC/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – Fasting rate contract for Screening of Cervix Cancer (25000) – Rs.5,725/-	30.01.2026 to 05.02.2026	02.02.2026 11.00 AM	06.02.2026 11.00 AM	06.02.2026 12.00 Noon
2.	E1464/IOCT/DME-KCSSH/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt:29.01.2026 – Intra Operative CT with Robotic Neuro Assistant (1) – Rs.5,725/-	02.02.2026 to 11.02.2026	04.02.2026 11.00 AM	12.02.2026 11.00 AM	12.02.2026 12.00 Noon
3.	E1465/TRANSPORT/RRC/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – Fasting rate contract for Transportation of Drugs and Medicines between Drug warehouses of TNMSC Ltd. And from Drug Warehouses to Govt. Medical Institutions – Rs.5,725/-	02.02.2026 to 09.02.2026	04.02.2026 11.00 AM	10.02.2026 11.00 AM	10.02.2026 12.00 Noon
4.	E1466/ANL/DME-KCSSH/RRC/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – Immuno Analyzer (Advance) with reagent (5) – Rs.5,725/-	03.02.2026 to 18.02.2026	10.02.2026 11.00 AM	19.02.2026 11.00 AM	19.02.2026 12.00 Noon
5.	E1467/ELISA/DME/RRC/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – Fully Automated Elisa Strip Processor (5) & Compact Elisa to Workstation (5) – Rs.5,725/-	03.02.2026 to 18.02.2026	10.02.2026 11.30 AM	19.02.2026 11.00 AM	19.02.2026 12.00 Noon
6.	E1468/ENT/NH/MRC/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – OAE Machine (5) & Pure Tone Audiometer (19) – Rs.5,725/-	03.02.2026 to 18.02.2026	10.02.2026 12.00 Noon	19.02.2026 11.00 AM	19.02.2026 12.00 Noon
7.	E1469/DFRC/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – Deep Freezer -20 deg C (500 litres) (35) – Rs.3,435/-	04.02.2026 to 19.02.2026	11.02.2026 11.00 AM	20.02.2026 11.00 AM	20.02.2026 12.00 Noon
8.	E1470/SCOPE/DME-KCSSH/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – Advanced Video Bronchoscope Adult and Pediatric (EBUS) – (1) – Rs.5,725/-	04.02.2026 to 19.02.2026	11.02.2026 11.00 AM	20.02.2026 11.00 AM	20.02.2026 12.00 Noon
9.	E1471/WB/RRC/TNMSC/ENG/2025, Dt: 29.01.2026 – Serological Water bath (20) – Rs.2,290/-	04.02.2026 to 19.02.2026	11.02.2026 12.00 Noon	20.02.2026 11.00 AM	20.02.2026 12.00 Noon

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DIPR/571/Tender/2026
GENERAL MANAGER (EQUIPMENT)

COIMBATORE CITY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
Tender Notice No.e17/2026 Date : 28.01.2026
(Two Cover System-e-submission only)

- Bids are invited Two cover system - Carrying out pollution control works in the Noyyal River and undertaking improvement works on both banks of the river from Aathupalam Junction to Nanjundapuram Road Junction.
- Total Estimate Amount Rs. **202.74 Crore**.
- The bid documents can be downloaded from the website <https://tntenders.gov.in> free of cost.
- Amount of Earnest Money Deposit will be 1% of the estimated value of work.
- Any additional/further details and conditions related to these works can be had from the office of the **Commissioner, Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation**.
- Important dates**
 - Date and time of Pre-bid meeting **10.02.2026 at 11.00 A.M.**
 - Last Date and time for downloading bid documents **04.03.2026 at 3.00 P.M.**
 - Last Date and time for submission of bid document, online e-submission only **04.03.2026 at 3.00 P.M.**
 - Date and time of opening of the Technical Bid **04.03.2026 at 4.00 P.M.**
- In the event of the specified date for submission of bids is declared as a holiday, bids will be received and opened on the next working day at the same time.
- Commissioner, Coimbatore Corporation, Big Bazaar Street, Town Hall, Coimbatore - 641 001. Phone No. 0422-2396026. Email: commr.coimbatore@tn.gov.in**
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CORRIGENDUM TO NOTIFICATION No. 1/2026
DATED 5TH JANUARY, 2026
NOTICE OF ELECTION
It is hereby notified that the Election Notification has been issued in accordance with the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP(s) (Civil) No(s). 1319/2023, M. Varadhan Vs. Union of India & Anr.
It is further informed that Sl. No. 177 was inadvertently omitted due to a typographical error in the Notice of Election dated 05.01.2026.
Therefore, this corrigendum is issued for publication in the newspaper and for the information of all concerned.
Date : 29/1/2026
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/-
(SUBHASH B. ADI)
Rtd. Judge & Returning Officer

EXPRESS READ
Imran Khan's health stable after eye procedure
Islamabad: Jailed former prime minister Imran Khan underwent a minor medical procedure for an eye ailment at a hospital last week and is in good health, Information Minister Attaullah Tarar said.
Doctors examined him, carried out a brief procedure, and returned him to jail with medical instructions. Officials dismissed rumours of a serious condition, saying his vital signs remained stable throughout the treatment and post-procedure recovery.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 18-02-2026 between 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical / symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank / Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank / Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.
Details of the encumbrances known to the secured Creditors-Not known.

BO : Mylapore-043400, Customer Id: ANE012293, A/c: 0343008700372173, 0343001N00000166
Name and Address of the Borrower/Guarantor : VKN Lakshmi Agro Foods Pvt Ltd. (Borrower New No.30 old No.57 Basement thambiah Road West Mambalam chennai-600033. Mobile No. 9962631090. **VKN Lakshmi Agro Foods Pvt Ltd.** Timmavaram village & post madhurantaham taluk kanchepuram dist-631501. Mobile No. 9962631090. **VKN Lakshmi Agro Foods Pvt Ltd.** Survey No 182 new bypass road (OPP. Pachaimman koi l) murnini village vandavasi taluk & post Thiruvannamalai -604408(TN). Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mrs Katesh Krishna KR promoter**, director S/O Sri kosal Raman V. DSC Jain Antharikh rathinammal street Kodambakkam chennai-600024. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mr TS Ramachandra**, Director, S/O Seenappa, No. 288 Doddapete Road Malur Kolar - 563130 Karnataka. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mr T S Ramachandra**, Director, S/O Seenappa, No.22/1 Kumbharapete Malur Kolar -563130 Karnataka. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mrs.Vijaya Sridharan**, Director, Flat No. 2-A-2 Srinikethan, 2nd floor New Door no 15 venus colony 1st street Alwarpet chennai-600018. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mrs Kalpana Sridharan** Director, Flat No 2, A-2 Srinikethan, 2nd floor New Door no 15. venus colony 1st street Alwarpet chennai-600018. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mrs Kalpana Sridharan** Director, Flat No. 2, 1st cross street Alwarpet chennai-600018. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mrs Kalpana Sridharan** Director, A-104 Admiralty Avenue, 6th main 13th cross near ESI Hospital Indira Nagar 2nd stage Bangalore North Bangalore-560038. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mrs Kalpana Sridharan**, INTEL Technology India pvt ltd. No.136 Airport Road, Kodohalli Bengaluru Bangalore-560017. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mr.Kosal Raman Vaidyanathan** (Guarantor), Flat no.2, DSC Jain Antharikh, Rathinammal street Kodambakkam chennai-600024. Mobile No. 9962631090. **Mr.Kosal Raman Vaidyanathan** (Guarantor), H No 2-16-109 Flat No.202, Telangana Harmonica Apartments 2nd floor Prasanthi Nagar (OPP Survey of India) Uppal Hyderabad-500039 Conchanga, Mobile No. 9962631090.

Description of Immovable Properties : Property belonging to TS Ramachandran: All that piece and parcel of immovable land property bearing Sy No.99, Gudnahalli village Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk measuring 2Acres and 4 Gunta and bounded on the East by:Remaining property of the same Sy.No.99 belongs to Mr.Srinivas, West by:Land belonging to Sri Munivenkatappa, North by:Land belonging to Venkataswamy, South by:Bangarapet Malur Road
Latitude, Longitude & Co-ordinates: 13.0009813, 77.961992 Property Id : PUNBAA25956890
RESERVE PRICE : Rs.5,57,00,000/- EMD : Rs.55,70,000/- BID INCREMENT : Rs.1,00,000/-
Outstanding Amount : Rs.26,18,83,499.17/- as on 31.12.2025 with further interest and charges less recoveries with effect from 01.01.2026 Less Recoveries made. Possession Status : Symbolic
Date of Notice under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI ACT : 05.06.2023 under Section 13 (4) : 04.09.2023
TERMS AND CONDITIONS : The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions:
(1). The properties are being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS". (2). The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. (3). The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website <https://baanknet.com> on 18.02.2026 at 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM. (4). For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer <https://baanknet.com> & www.pnb.bank.in
STATUTORY SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8 & 9 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002
Date: 29.01.2026
Place: Chennai
Authorized Officer
Punjab National Bank - Secured Creditor

PUBLIC NOTICE
I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients Sri. Munnilingappa & others have filed the above petition for the death certificate of Late. Narasamma W/o Munnilingappa who was died on 14.01.1992 at Thimmesgowdana Hosahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Ugaravadi Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the II Addl. Civil Judge & JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing on 9/4/2026 at 11.00 A.M. in C.Misc. No. 30/2025.
By Order of the Court, Sd/- Civil Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli Sri Ashwin Kumar B.M., Advocate

Government of India DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT 2)
4th Floor, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru-560001.
TRC NO:762/2019 FORM NO.14 (See Regulation 33(2))
Union Bank Of India Asset Recovery Branch, #583/584, 2nd Floor, Pojoa Complex, Avenue Road, Bengaluru-560001.
....Certificate Holder Bank
Versus C.B. KRISHNA KUMAR & ORS (BLR) - Certified Debtor/Defendants
DEMAND NOTICE
1) **Siri C.B. Krishna Kumar.** S/o Sri Chennegowda #56, Gundappa Compound, 3rd Cross, Muneswara Layout, Laggere, Bengaluru 560058.
2) **Smt. Savitha Motaihal.** W/o Sri. C.B. Krishna Kumar, #56, Gundappa Compound, 3rd Cross, Muneswara Layout Laggere, Bengaluru-560058
3) **Sri Jayaram.** R/at No-13, 2nd Main Road, Vinayakanagar, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru-560-079.
In View of the Recovery Certificate issued in TA/184/2017 passed by the Ho'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bangalore on date. 30.3.2019 an amount of **Rs.33,80,410/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh (s) Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Ten Only)** is due against you along with interest and costs from date of filing of A till realization of the Recovery Certificate.
In addition to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay all charges and expense incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recording the amount due. You are hereby called upon to deposit the amount within 15 days of the recy of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules.
Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on 4th day of october 2019.
Recovery Officer-2 Debts Recovery Tribunal -2 Bangalore
THE SECRET OF GETTING AHEAD IS GETTING STARTED

Direct flight from Bangladesh to Pakistan resumes after 14 years

DHAKA

DIRECT flights between Bangladesh and Pakistan resumed on Thursday after more than a decade, as ties warm between the two nations that have long had an uneasy relationship.

Bangladesh and Pakistan — geographically divided by about 1,500 kilometres of Indian territory — were once one nation. They split after a bitter war in 1971.

Since 2012, travellers between Bangladesh and Pakistan had to use connecting flights through Gulf hubs such as Dubai and Doha. On Thursday national carrier Biman Bangladesh Airlines departed for the Pakistani city of Karachi, the first regular flight since 2012.

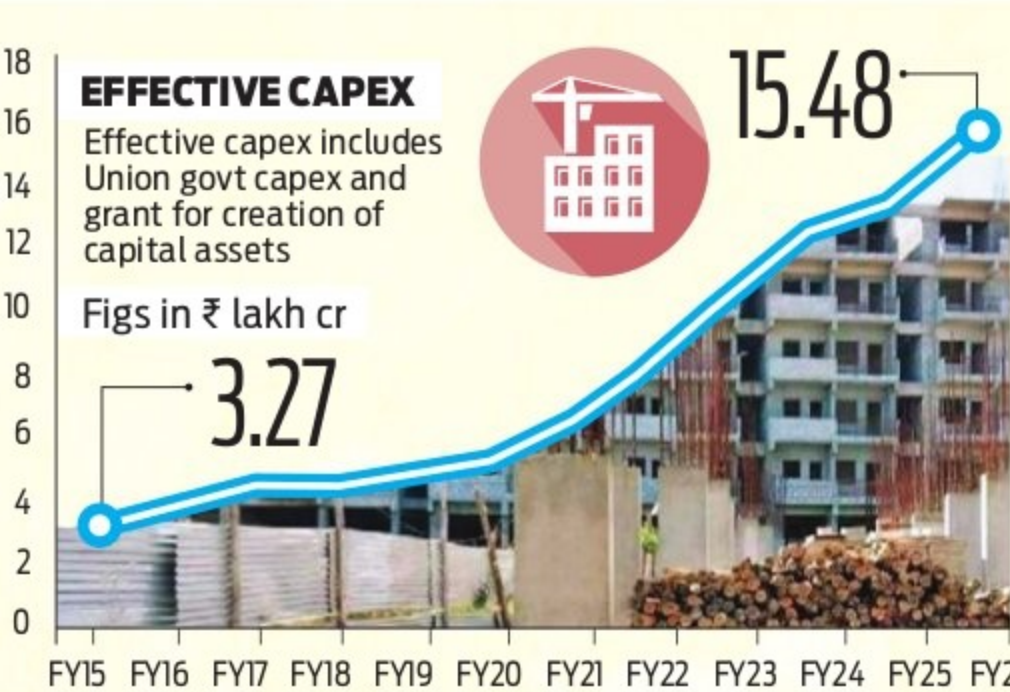
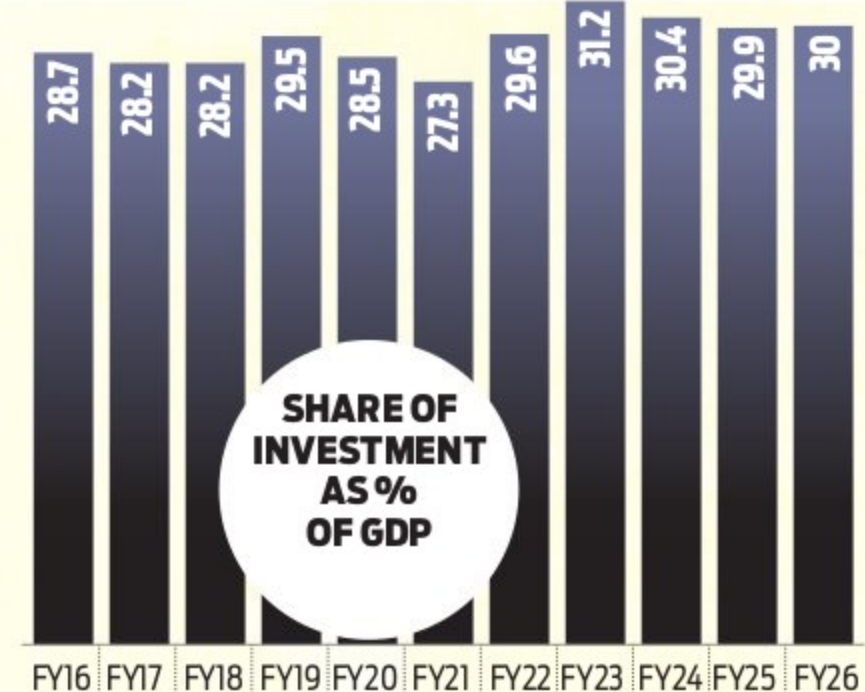
Mohammad Shahid, one of 150 Karachi-bound passengers on board, said he was happy to be able to travel more frequently than before, when he could only make the journey once every two or three years.

"We had been waiting for such an opportunity because we travel continuously," he told AFP in Dhaka. "There are so many people waiting in Pakistan to come here, and some waiting here to go there." Direct flights will now operate twice weekly. Biman said in a statement that their resumption would "play a significant role in promoting trade and commerce, expanding educational exchanges, and fostering cultural ties between the two countries". Ties with fellow Muslim-majority nation Pakistan have warmed since a student-led revolt in Bangladesh overthrew Sheikh Hasina in 2024, ending her autocratic 15-year rule.

Over the same period, relations between Bangladesh and Hasina's old ally India have turned frosty. Cargo ships resumed sailing from Karachi to Bangladesh's key port of Chittagong in November 2024.

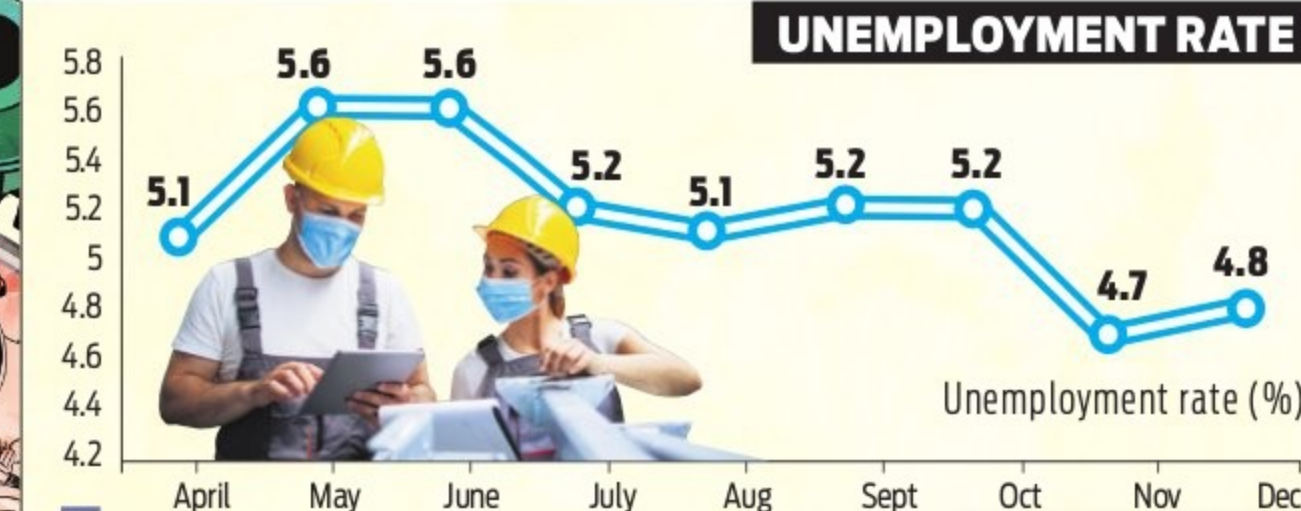
Trade has risen since then and cultural ties have grown, with popular Pakistani singers performing in Dhaka, while Bangladeshi patients have travelled to Pakistan for medical care. AFP





A GLANCE AT ECONOMIC SURVEY

The Economic survey lists out strong fiscal indicators such as robust investment, pick-up in mfg growth and a surge in capex to highlight the resilience in the economy



Soft skills an asset in AI era: Economic Survey

As businesses evolve, employees must adapt to new roles that require higher skills

PADMINI DHURVARAJ @ Bengaluru

ARTIFICIAL intelligence is reshaping how Indians work, where jobs are created and what skills employers value, according to the Economic Survey 2025-26, which says the impact on employment will depend less on job losses and more on how quickly workers and firms adapt.

The survey states services sector, led by IT and IT-enabled services, remains a key source of employment and external stability. Within this, Global Capability Centres (GCCs) have emerged as major employers, with over 1,700 centres employing over 19 lakh professionals as of FY24.

However, the rise of AI is changing the nature of work. The survey highlights a structural shift in global demand towards productivity-enhancing solutions driven by generative AI, cloud computing, data engineering and cybersecurity. While this creates new opportunities, it also places pressure on workers to reskill.

Dr V Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Adviser, echoed this emphasis on skills, saying, "A lot of us are concerned about how we will fare in the AI era. The good thing is that employees still value soft skills, engagement, self-efficacy, working with others, adaptability and management skills matter a lot more than technological skills. But it's important, therefore, to prepare our youth to look at areas which are not necessarily university education-driven, but could be vocational professional skills. In other words, we have to make vocational and technical and professional skills more fashionable and respectable than we have been doing so far."

India's technology workforce is relatively well-positioned. As per the survey, India ranks second in AI skill penetration globally, just behind the US. Even so, weaker outcomes in broader information and communication technology (ICT) penetration and skill diffusion across firms and regions remain a concern.

Further, the survey cautions that AI adoption is not just a technology challenge but a labour related. As business models evolve, firms and workers must adapt to new roles that require higher-order skills, while routine tasks are increasingly automated.

At the same time, the expansion of AI infrastructure brings its own limits. The survey warns that large-scale AI data centres are highly energy- and water-intensive, and that indiscriminate scaling of computing capacity could strain power, water and financial resources. It argues that smaller, task-specific AI models and decentralised computing could offer a more balanced path, with implications for how and where jobs are created.

Industry experts say the changing role of GCCs will be central to how AI affects jobs in India. Ritika Loganey Gupta, Partner and GCC Sector Tax Leader at EY India, said: "The Survey reinforces that India's services surplus is structural, with GCCs playing a vital role in sustaining it." "GCC-led software, BPM, consulting and fintech activities have evolved from cost-efficient delivery to integral components of global operations and innovation," she added.



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Pvt investment cycle gains steam, grows 7% YoY

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

THE Economic Survey 2025-26 on Thursday pointed to a sharp rise in corporate activity and a strengthening domestic investment cycle.

Private corporate investment announcements surged to ₹14.6 lakh crore in the first half of FY26, more than double the ₹7.9 lakh crore recorded in the same period last year. The figure surpasses the previous decadal peak of ₹11.4 lakh crore seen in H1 FY24, underscoring renewed business confidence.

The Survey attributes this momentum to multiple converging factors, including strong corporate and banking sector balance sheets, with gross non-performing asset (NPA) ratios at multi-decade lows of 2.2%. It flags high manufacturing capacity utilisation, which stood at 74.8% in Q2 FY26. Historically, utilisation levels above 75% have tended to trigger fresh capacity expansion by the private sector.

Another key driver has been the "crowding-in" effect of public spending. Sustained public

Corp. investment announcements at ₹14.6L cr in H1

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capital expenditure—up 28% YoY during April–November 2025—has helped attract private investment, mainly into infrastructure and allied sectors, the Survey notes.

The report further emphasises that recent structural reforms have created a more conducive investment climate.

Protection to industry can't be in perpetuity: CEA

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

THE government expects domestic industry to scale up export competitiveness in return for the policy support it provides, Chief Economic Advisor (CEA) V Anantha Nageswaran said on Thursday. At a time when global trade tensions are at a decadal high, he stressed that India must build a competitive edge in exports by producing high-quality goods.

"When we give protection to our industry from import competition, we have to link it to productivity and export performance. That is what North-east Asia did better than any other region in the world," the CEA said during his media briefing on the Economic Survey. He pointed out that countries such as South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Japan supported their domestic industries but demanded productivity gains and export per-



formance in return.

Nageswaran said the government has taken steps to achieve "strategic indispensability" for exporters by building world-class and reliable infrastructure, ensuring long-term policy stability, strengthening talent ecosystems, and designing incentives linked to productivity and export outcomes.

"Protection cannot be in per-

petuity, and it has to be in return for productivity and export performance," he added.

The Survey cautioned that permanent protection is misplaced in sectors where India is already cost-competitive, exporting at scale, or supplying critical intermediate goods. Such protection, it noted, can raise economy-wide costs and blunt competitiveness. The

Survey warned against shielding inefficient producers or entrenching incumbents, stressing that protection without productivity gains, innovation and export orientation breeds fragility rather than strength.

During April–December 2025, India's exports totalled \$634.3 billion, registering a 4.3% year-on-year increase, while imports rose 4.9% year-on-year to \$730.8 billion. As a result, the trade deficit widened to \$96.6 billion from \$88.4 billion in the corresponding period a year earlier. Merchandise imports increased 6.3% year-on-year in FY25 to \$721.2 billion, driven largely by higher demand for critical intermediate inputs and capital goods, indicating resilient domestic demand.

Commenting on rising imports, the CEA said India needs to build adequate buffers as global supply chains can be disrupted at any time, as seen in recent global shocks.

Strategic metals critical to global energy transition

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

METALS like lithium, cobalt, nickel, copper, and rare earth elements are becoming critical for the global shift to a low-carbon economy, as per the Economic Survey released on Friday.

The survey noted that these metals play a major role in energy security, industrial competitiveness, and geopolitical influence. Copper, in particular, is facing price volatility due to mine outages in countries such as Indonesia, Congo, and Chile, rising global demand from the power and data sectors, and trade restrictions by exporting nations. The survey warned that the world may face a shortage of copper at the current rate of rising power demand, partly driven by the rapid growth of AI data centres.

CURRENCY

RUPEE POSES RISK OF IMPORTED INFLATION

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

WEAKENING rupee could pave the way for imported inflation, the Economic Survey report on Thursday warned even as it notes that barring precious metals, global commodity prices are expected to remain soft, limiting the impact.

The rupee, which has been sliding for the past one year now and lost 4.9% in 2025, becoming the worst-performing Asian currency and the third-worst globally, hit a new low of 92.0163 against the dollar in the morning trade ahead of the release of the survey. On Wednesday, the local currency had touched 91.99 for the second time. The pressure on rupee mounted after the US imposed 50% tariffs on India from August. Another reason is the dumping of equities by the foreign investors, who had taken away \$19 billion from the market in 2025 alone and another \$4 billion so far this year. The continuing delay in sewing up trade deal with the US is also impacting the local currency adversely. The recent rally in the Japanese bond yields also adding to the pressure.

Air India to buy 30 additional Boeing aircraft

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

AIR INDIA has placed an order to purchase 30 additional Boeing aircraft, comprising 20 737-8s and 10 737-10s. These 30 single-aisle aircraft are in addition to the firm orders for 220 aircraft that the country's second-largest airline had placed with Boeing in 2023, taking the total number of aircraft orders placed with Boeing to 250.

The Tata Group airline also announced conversion of 15 of its current orders for Airbus A321neo aircraft to Airbus A321XLR (extra long range) variant to fuel global expansion.

The conversion is part of its mega orders placed with Airbus in 2023 with an addition in 2024, comprising 50 twin-aisle A350 and 300 single-aisle A320 Family aircraft. Of the 300 single-aisle



India, South Asia air traffic to rise 7% annually

Boeing stated that India and South Asia's passenger air traffic will increase at an average of 7% annually over the next 20 years, spurred by a growing middle class, economic growth and airport and connectivity investments.

aircraft, this conversion to A321XLR applies to 15 of 210 A321neo plane ordered, while the remaining 90 A320neo remain as originally structured.

Deliveries of the 15 A321XLR are expected between 2029 and 2030. Air India entered into a multi-year agreement with Boeing Global Services for its Com-

ponent Services Program (CSP), encompassing the airline's Boeing 787 fleet, both existing and those on order. All fresh announcements were made on the sidelines of Wings India 2026, one of Asia's premier civil aviation events, in Hyderabad.

Campbell Wilson, CEO & MD, Air India, said that the additional order for 30 Boeing 737 aircraft is part of their broader fleet strategy to position Air India firmly for the future, as a world-class global carrier that India deserves and the world expects. "The A321XLR is proving to be a revenue generator by boosting frequencies, managing seasonality, and optimising capacity on medium-haul routes," said Benoit de Saint-Exupéry, Airbus executive vice-President of commercial aircraft sales.

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

FOOD items, often blamed for sharp volatility in inflation, will carry significantly lesser weightage in determining consumer price index (CPI) levels under the new series to be launched in February 2026. The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has revealed that the weight of food and beverages in the inflation basket has been reduced to 36.75% from 54.18% in the current series.

In the new basket, food will have a weight of 34.77%, while beverages will account for 1.77%. At present, food makes up 44.6% of the combined CPI, which tracks retail inflation.

Food & beverages to carry less weightage in inflation basket

The revised CPI basket is based on the latest Household Consumption Expenditure Survey (HCES) 2023-24. According to the survey, the share of food expenditure has declined from 52.90% in 2011-12 to 47% in rural areas, and from 46.62% to 40% in urban areas.

Other components of the basket have also been reweighted to reflect changing consumption patterns. Transportation and communication will now have a higher representation of 12.4%, up from 7.6% earlier.

The weight of health has been reduced marginally from 6.83% to 6.1%, while clothing

and footwear have been lowered from 7.36% to 6.38%.

MoSPI Secretary Saurabh Garg told TNIE that the CPI 2024 series has been comprehensively updated to mirror current household spending behaviour.

"The objective has been to make the inflation measure more representative of how households actually consume today," he said.

The CPI basket is set for a major overhaul with the launch of the CPI 2024 series in February, marking one of the most comprehensive updates to the inflation framework in over a decade. The base year for the new CPI series will be 2023-24.



 **KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED**
(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. :SEE/Tr.(P)/TKR/2025-26/6132-38 Date:29.01.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal only)

Short Term Tender for Conducting of Modern Detailed Survey work 220kV/110kV DC, SC lines for Establishing of 2x200 MVA, 220/110kV sub-station at Sampigehosahalli in Turuvekere Taluk, Tumakuru District in Transmission (Project) Circle, KPTCL, Tumakuru is invited against the bid enquiry No: SEE/Tr(P)/TKR/DCA/EE(O)/AEE-1/2025-26/Enq No.12 Dated: 29.01.2026.

Nature of work

(A) Conducting Detailed Modern Survey for the work of construction of 220kV DC line with Drake conductor from proposed 220/110kV Sampigehosahalli sub-station to the existing Shivamogga-Arasikere-Nitturu (B4) Line for carrying out SC LILO arrangements (approximately 10 kms)

(B) Conducting Detailed Modern Survey for the work of constructing of 110kV DC line on DC towers with Lynx/Panther conductor from proposed 220kV Sampigehosahalli sub-station, in which 1st SC line to connect 110kV Kadaba (approximately 8 kms) and 2nd SC line to connect 110kV Kalluru sub-station (approximately 7 Kms) along with 1 No. of 110kV TB at both Kadaba and Kalluru sub-station.

(C) Conducting Detailed Modern Survey for the work of constructing of 110kV DC line on DC towers with Lynx/Panther conductor from proposed 220kV Sampigehosahalli sub-station, in which 1st SC line to connect 110kV Ammasandra (approximately 12 kms) and 2nd SC line to connect 110kV Sampige sub-station (approximately 6 Kms) along with 1 No. of 110kV TB at both Ammasandra and Sampige sub-station.

(D) Conducting Detailed Modern Survey for the work of constructing of 110kV DC line on DC towers with Lynx/Panther conductor from proposed 220kV Sampigehosahalli sub-station, in which 1st SC line to connect 110kV Mayasandra (approximately 15 kms) and 2nd SC line to connect 110kV Shettigondanahalli sub-station (approximately 16 Kms) along with 1 No. of 110kV TB at both Mayasandra and Shettigondanahalli sub-station.

(E) Conducting Detailed Modern Survey for the work of Construction of 110kV DC line on DC towers with Lynx/Panther conductor from proposed 220kV Sampigehosahalli sub-station, in which 1st SC line to connect 110kV Talakere (approximately 11 kms) and 2nd SC line to connect 110kV Turuvekere sub-station (approximately 16 Kms) along with 1 No. of 110kV TB at both Talakere and Turuvekere sub-station.

The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the KPP portal can be obtained by logging onto KPTCL website <https://kptcl.karnatakagov.in> with hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" or KPPP website <https://kppp.karnatakagov.in> on or after 30.01.2026 Further details can be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

**Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele),
Transmission(Project) Circle, KPTCL,
"PRASARANA BHAVANA", Ground Floor,
Koththopu Road, Tumakuru-572103.**

SR NO	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset(Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Possession taken Date
1	Branch: Channappanna L. No.: SECNPNTN0403541 Borrower : Mr/Mrs Sadath Ali Co-Borrower : Mr/Mrs Farahana Banu, Mr/Mrs Saif Ali	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Immovable Schedule Property No 15290010310160073, Katha No.328/43/17172, Situated At Kottanahalli Village, Vandarguruppe Gram Panchayat, Channappanna Taluk, Ramanaagara District. Measuring East To West 16.764 Mtr (55 Feet), North To South 7.9248+8.2299/2 Mtr (26.50 Feet), Total Extent 135.41 Sqmtr (1457.50 Sqft) And House Builtup Area Of 135.41 Sqmtr Do Exists, North By : Site No.59 And 60, South By : Road, East By : Property Of Babu Jan, West By : Site No.69	30.10.2025 241292	24.01.2026
2	Branch: Channarayappa L. No.: SEIBCP70459775 Borrower : DineshaRadha	All The Peace And Parcel Of The Immovable Schedule Property No 15160050050052019, Katha No.201, Site Situated At Mallenahalli Village, D.Kalenahalli Grampanchayat, Channarayappa Taluk, Measuring East To West 9.906 Mtr (32 Feet), North To South 9.7536 Mtr (32 Feet), Total Extent 96.62 Sq.Mtr (1024 Sq.Ft), North By : Remaining Land South By : Road, East By : Remaining Land, West By : Land Of Hanumanma Kalaiah,	30.09.2025 427512	24.01.2026
3	Branch: Maddur L. No.: SEIBRMDR0454854 Borrower : Mr/Mrs. Lakshmi Co-Borrower : Mr/Mrs. Girish Babu	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Immovable Schedule Property No 1529001002200900025 Katha No.198/198, Situated At B V Valya Village, B V Halli Grampanchayath, Channappanna Taluk, Ramanaagara, Measuring East To West 10.6680 Mtr (35 Feet), North To South 12.192 Mtr (40 Feet), Total Extent 130.06 Sq Mtr (1400 Sq Ft) Built Up Area 81.29 Sq Mtr And Do Exists, North By : Road, South By : Own Property, East By : Own Property And House Of Ravi, West By : Own Property. -	30.10.2025 1034085	24.01.2026

Date: 30-01-2026, Place: - Bangalore Sd/- Authorized Officer - Equitas Small Finance Bank LTD

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Whereas, the Authorised Officer of **KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED**, under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued the Demand Notices, details of which are mentioned hereunder, calling upon the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/co-obligants mentioned therein to repay the total amount mentioned in the demand notice along with future interest within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices.

1. Name of Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors/Co-obligants:- (1) Mr. Ashwath T R S/o Ramarao T A (2) Mrs. Vani N W/o Mr. Ashwath T R, **Both residing at:** No. 1918, 5th Cross, 20th Main J P Nagar 2nd Phase Bangalore-560078.

Branch Name: Bengaluru Suburban Layout **Date of Demand Notice:** 15.11.2025

Amount Demanded: Rs.14,01,476.58 [Rupees Fourteen Lakh One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Fifty Eight Only] under PSTL A/c No. 0987001800348201 along with future interest from 25.10.2025 Plus Cost.

Date of taking Possession: 29.01.2026
Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs14,40,826.58 [Rupees Fourteen Lakh Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Six and Paise Fifty Eight Only] under PSTL A/c No. 0987001800348201 along with future interest from 25.01.2026 Plus Cost.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that Piece and parcel of the Residential Flat bearing No.A-102, PID No.150200101700 620490, Assessment No. 1184/40/3/T-10/A-102, First Floor of Tower - 10/Block-05 , having super built up area 656 Sq Fts., UDS of 317.2 Sq Fts, together with one Car Parking No.T10-PC002 in the residential apartment Complex Known as "Janaadhar Shubha", Constructed on residentially converted lands in survey No's 39/1, 39/2, 40/3 and 42/1, situated at M Medehalli, Attibele Hobli Ankal Taluk Bangalore belonging to Mr.Ashwath T R. **Boundaries of property as per Document:** East by : Land in Survey No.43, West by: Road, North by : Mayasandra Gadi, South by : Lands in Survey No.41. **Boundaries of Flat as per Document:** East By : A-101, West By : Open Space, North By: Stair Case, South By : Open Space.

2. Name of Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantors/Co-obligants:- (1) **M/s. Pushpam Buildcon** represented by its Proprietrix **Mrs. Radha R S**, No.191, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Byrasanra, Jayanagar East, Bangalore-560011 (2) **Mrs. Radha R S**, W/o Mr. Manjunatha Reddy D S, (3) **Mrs. Veenra R S** W/o Dr. Manjunatha Reddy N (4) **Mr. Abhiram M S S** Manjunatha Reddy D S (5) **Mrs. Saraswathamma** W/o Ramachandra Reddy T N (6) **Mrs. Poornima R S** D/o Ramachandra Reddy T N (7) **Mrs. Sudha K Reddy** D/o Ramachandra Reddy T N (8) **Mrs. Geetha R S** D/o Ramachandra Reddy T N (9) **Mrs. Shailaja** W/o Late Sainatha R S (10) **Mrs. Sneha D/o** Late Sainatha R S (11) **Mr. Sandesh S/o** Late Sainatha, **All residing at** : No 191, 1st Cross, 1st Block, Byrasanra, Jayanagar East, Bangalore-560011.

Branch Name: Bengaluru-Banashankari-II Stage Date of Demand Notice: 03.11.2025
Amount Demanded: Rs.6,74,72,976.63 [Rupees Six Crore Seventy Four Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Sixty Three Only] i.e.Rs.39,73,150.79 under PSTL A/c No.1077001800037901 along with future interest from 22.08.2024 , Rs.4,54,59,969.08 under PSTL A/c No.1077001800038401 along with future interest from 22.08.2024. Rs.31,32,26,599.26 under PSTL A/c No 1077001800038501 along with interest from 22.08.2024 and Rs.48,13,257.50 under PSTL A/c No.1077001600070701 along with interest from 22.08.2024 Plus Cost.

Date of taking Possession: 29.01.2026

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.6,74,72,976.63 [Rupees Six Crore Seventy Four Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Sixty Three Only] i.e. Rs.39,73,569.08 under PSTL A/c No.1077001800037901 along with future interest from 22.08.2024, Rs.4,54,595,167.95 under PSTL A/c No.1077001800038401 along with future interest from 22.08.2024, Rs.1,32,26,599.26 under PSTL A/c No.1077001800038501 along with interest from 22.08.2024 and Rs.48,13,257.50 under PSTL A/c No.1077001600070701 along with interest from 22.08.2024 Plus Cost.

Description of the Immovable Property : All that Piece and parcel of the Residential Property measuring 2400 Sq.Ft, bearing New No.14, Old No. 191, with building constructed thereon, situated in 1st Cross Road, 1st Block, Jayanagar, Byrasandra, Bangalore-560011 belonging to **Mr.Ramachandra Reddy T N** (Since Deceased, now represented by his Legal Heirs). **Boundaries of property as per Document & Actual:** East by: Site No.192, West by : Site No.190, North by: Private Property, South by: Road.

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties, as described herein above, in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on 29.01.2026.

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned herein above and any dealings with the said properties will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**, for amounts as described herein above.

[The attention of the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act in relation to the liability of the mortgagor to pay interest on the principal amount.]

Place: Bengaluru Date : 29.01.2026	Sd/- Asst. General Manager & Authorised Officer For Karnataka Bank Ltd.,
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Indian Grandmaster and World Cup winner Divya Deshmukh will make her debut at Norway Chess Women this year, becoming the youngest player to compete in the women's tournament since its launch in 2024. Deshmukh will arrive in Oslo for the tournament from May 25 to June 5, following a breakthrough 2025 that established her among the elite.

Every member of Indian T20 WC squad got gametime so far in five-match T20I series as expected by team management

LAST CHANCE FOR INDIA TO EXPERIMENT BEFORE BIG SHOW

GOMESH S @ Thiruvananthapuram

A little while after the final wicket fell on Wednesday, when India suffered a 50-run defeat against New Zealand in Visakhapatnam, one question in everyone's mind was whether the hosts made a mistake by not playing an extra batter. The margin of defeat would have warranted closer scrutiny and could have raised concerns too.

But Wednesday can be seen as an aberration and can be excused as a failed experiment. Since India have already won the series, the result of the match was not of much consequence. Playing the said XI was to try out a few things, put some pressure on the team in different situations and see how they react. Before the big T20 World Cup test India can afford to take a few risks to iron out the flaws.

Going a batter short was one such scenario. Skipper Suryakumar Yadav admitted as much after the game. "We wanted to play five bowlers today and challenge ourselves. We wanted to see what happens if you're chasing 180 or 200 and if we are 2-3 wickets down early. We also wanted to play the guys who are going to the World Cup. We might get the chance in the next game. We might chase again," said Yadav.

In the middle, Rinku Singh and Shivam Dube showed promise, with the latter smashing the third-fastest T20I fifty by an Indian. Sanju Samson failed to convert the start, Abhishek fell early, and so did Yadav. If there was one player who could have



India T20 captain Suryakumar Yadav has finally got his form back ahead of the T20 World Cup starting February 7 (BELOW) Axar Patel | BP DEEPU

potentially won the match but didn't get going was Hardik Pandya. He succumbed to the pressure built by spinners Ish Sodhi and Mitchell Santner in the middle-overs.

Overall, head coach Gautam Gambhir and Yadav would overtly worried but would want to fix any loopholes in their strategy fast. Perhaps Samson's lack of big scores is a concern going into the fifth T20I, where he will play in front of his home crowd for the very first time as an international player. Apart from that, every member of the squad who is part of the T20 World Cup team has got at least one game in the New Zealand T20Is.

When the series began, this was one of the key objectives for the team management. Despite the injury to Tilak Varma and Washington Sundar — the former is

expected to get fit in time, and the latter is racing against the clock to make it for the opening game against the USA on February 7 — it is the best preparation they have had for the global event with a full-strength squad. And all 14 players have taken the field in the last ten days.

Ravi Bishnoi played despite not being in the World Cup squad, but he may come in if Washington doesn't get fit on time.

Ishan Kishan has shown he is ready to step in. Dube has delivered all-round performances. Yadav found form and some runs. Bishnoi was among the wickets. Jasprit Bumrah, Varun Chakravarthy and Pandya showed why the trio is invaluable and should play every game in the World Cup. Then there is Kuldeep Yadav, whom the captain and coach will have to find a way to field alongside Varun, especially in the big games. Rinku and Arshdeep Singh, too, got some game time and runs while Harshit Rana continued to grow.

In fact, the one key factor that has changed from the South Africa T20Is — apart from Shubman Gill getting dropped — is

how Axar Patel fits into the playing XI. Still the vice-captain of the team, Axar was batting anywhere between No 3-6 in the last year and a half. However, he played only one match in the series and might struggle to start every match, especially with Dube in the mix. It might come down to opponents and conditions, along with the availability of Tilak and Washington, when the World Cup comes along. The middle-order is already too crowded with left-handers and sloggers, and Axar's role in the team has become a bit of a question.

Having said that, Axar is one such player who has delivered irrespective of the role he gets to play. It was evident in the 2024 T20 World Cup final, where he arguably played the most important knock that allowed Virat Kohli to settle in and take the innings deep. Which is why it should not surprise anyone if he is back in the XI for the final T20I. After all, it is India's last chance to do any sort of experimentation before the team shifts to Mumbai, where they will play one warm-up game against South Africa on February 4.

If the team management had a series of boxes to tick before the New Zealand series began, they would have checked most of them. And Saturday offers one last chance for them to have a go at it again.

Upskilled Dube key cog in India's wheel

GOMESH S @ Thiruvananthapuram

WHEN Shivam Dube made a comeback to the Indian team almost three years ago, he had a specific USP. Middle-overs spin basher. That was his role in Chennai Super Kings, where he played a crucial role in them winning the 2023 IPL title. Cut to now, Dube is no longer just a spin-hitting merchant. The Mumbaier has a lot more to offer, as he has shown in the last 12 months or so. That wasn't the case before. More than anything else, the thing that he has gotten better at is the game awareness and ability to apply himself under pressure in different match situations. On Wednesday, it was visible when New Zealand took a gamble and bowled spinners to Dube. He not only registered the third fastest T20I fifty by an Indian but also took India as close as he could single-handedly before an unfortunate run out. The striking aspect about Dube in the last 12 months or so is how much he has upskilled as an all-rounder.



In the past, any captain would know what his match-ups are and often tend to go to pacers the moment walks in. That, however, has made little difference since 2025. Numbers say it as well.

Since 2023, Dube has had a strike rate of 162.66 against spin and 144.85 against pace with the average dropping from 40 to 32.83. From 2025,

DUBE T20I BOWLING RECORD SINCE 2023					
YEAR	INN	OVS	WKT	ECO	
2023	5	8.0	1	9.25	
2024	7	16.0	5	9	
2025	11	5.3	12	8.43	
2026	3	6.0	3	9.83	

however, the 32-year-old has a 193.54 SR against spin and 167.59 versus pace. The average against pace has dropped to 25.85, but he hits a boundary every 3.85 balls against seamers

in this period. And that is in line with the brand of cricket this team has been playing.

"For me also, it is very important," said Dube when asked about upskilling himself. "I can't be the same as I was. I try to be a little better, a little smarter in the next game when I am playing. So, I learn what my strengths are and where I can target those (boundaries). It's very important... the match-up. So, they want me to hit spinners. That is my role to get the strike rate high in middle-overs. That is what I always try. Not about the spinners but fast bowlers as well," he added.

It is not just with the bat, Dube has been a regular in the bowling charts where, more often than not, he comes in and quietly slips in an over or two in the middle overs. And he has taken a fair share of wickets as well. There have also been occasions where he was used in the death and delivered. Since 2025, he has bowled 47.3 overs in 21 innings and taken 20 wickets.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

More than meets the eye with respect to Manpreet

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

ONE of India's most capped international hockey players, Manpreet Singh, has not found a place in the 33-strong probabilities list ahead of a demanding season. The 2026 calendar includes the World Cup as well as the Asian Games, an Olympic qualifier for the Los Angeles event in 2028. Considering that Manpreet Singh is still one of the side's top performers and plays in multiple positions, it's still a mystery as to why he has been left out.

While chief coach Craig Fulton said it was about resting a few key players ahead of a demanding year, it's understood that the issue isn't as simple. "Post the Hockey India League," Fulton said in a release issued by the governing body, "we felt this was the right time to rotate the squad. We've rested a few senior players to manage workload, while rewarding performances from players who've earned their opportunity."

The Pro League legs in Rourkela and Hobart are an important part of the selection process as we move towards finalising the World Cup and Asian Games squad." Apart from Manpreet, the players 'rested' include Krishan Pathak, thought to be one of India's lead goalkeepers in the post Sreejesh world. **The probabilities:** GKs: Pawan, S. Karkera, M. Shashikumar, Prineedep. Defenders: A. Rohidas, Jarnanpreet Singh, Sanjay, Harmanpreet Singh, Jugraj Singh, Sumit, Pooovanna Chandura Bobby, Yashdeep Siwach, Nilam Sanjeev Xess, Amandeep Lakra. Midfielders: Rajinder Singh, Manmeet Singh, Hardik Singh, Moirangthem Rabichandra Singh, Vivek Sagar Prasad, Vishnu Kant Singh, Raj Kumar Pal, Nilakanta Sharma, Rosan Kujur. Forwards: Abhishek, Sukhjeet Singh, Shilanand Lakra, Mandeep Singh, Araljeet Singh Hundal, Angad Bir Singh, Uttam Singh, Selvam Karthi, Aditya Arjun Lalage, Maninder Singh.



Punjab's Emanjot frustrates Karnataka on opening day

ENS/AGENCIES @ Mohali

EMANJOT Singh Chahal made a gritty 77 not out in his first-class comeback to lift Punjab to a competitive 303 for nine against Karnataka on Day 1 of their Ranji Trophy match. Having reduced Punjab to 168 for six, Karnataka were left frustrated by the Punjab lower-order mainly Emanjot who stood firm against a formidable opposition.

Bist rescues Nagaland

SOVIMA: Nagaland, the only winless team in Group A, have staged a sensational recovery from 59 for 4 to post 322 for 6 at stumps against Andhra thanks to Chetan Bist, who finishes 160 not out. Bist smacked 23 boundaries and a six and added 167 for the fifth wicket with Dega Nischal (74). For Andhra, pacer Kavuri Saiteja and spinner Satyanarayana Raju scalped 2 wickets each.

Delhi bowled out for 221

MUMBAI: Sanat Sangwan struck a fine hundred for Delhi against Mumbai before the visitors were shot out for 221 with Mohit Avasthi claiming 5/62. Several Mumbai players, like

SELECT SCORES: Group A: At Jamshedpur: Odisha 242/6 in 92 ovs (Swastik Samal 79, Govinda Poddar 64; Saurabh Shekhar 3/34) vs Jharkhand. At Salem: Baroda 247/5 in 90 ovs (Sukirt Pandey 73 batting, Ninad Rathva 66; Hemchudeshan J 3/72) vs Tamil Nadu. At Sovima: Nagaland 322/6 in 90 ovs (Chetan Bist 160 batting, D Nischal 74; K Saiteja 2/28) vs Andhra; **Group B:** At Mohali: Punjab 303/9 in 91 ovs (Abhijeet Garg 81, Emanjot Singh 77 batting; Vidyadhar Patil 3/46) vs Karnataka; At Porvorim: Goa 279/8 in 83/4 ovs (Suyash Prabhudessai 86, Yash Kasvanskar 50; Ankit Sharma 5/88) vs Kerala; **Group D:** At Mumbai: Delhi 221 in 76/4 ovs (Sanat Sangwan 118; Mohit Avasthi 5/62) vs Mumbai 13/1 in 3 ovs; At Hyderabad: Chhattisgarh 283 in 72.3 ovs (Prateek Yadav 106, Vikalp Tiwari 94; Mohammed Siraj 4/56) vs Hyderabad 56/0 in 15 ovs (Aman Rao 32 batting).

Sarfraz Khan were seen wearing masks at the field, after pollution levels spiked around BKC ground due to ongoing constructions. The hosts trail by 208 runs in first innings.

Baroda reach 247/5

SALEM: Baroda's Sukirt Pandey's measured knock (73 batting) brought Baroda to 247/5 from 72/4 against Tamil Nadu



Australian Open: Sabalenka sets up Rybakina final

AGENCIES @ Melbourne

ARYNA Sabalenka crushed Ukraine's Elina Svitolina in a politically charged Australian Open semifinal on Thursday and faces Elena Rybakina for a third Melbourne title. There was no handshake after Sabalenka dismantled Svitolina 6-2, 6-3, before Kazakhstan's Rybakina was also a straight-sets winner, over Jessica Pegula of the United States.

The ruthless Sabalenka will take some stopping as she pursues a third Melbourne crown in four years. She is on an 11-match win streak this year, having come into the first major of 2026 on the back of claim-



Aryna Sabalenka moved into her fourth Australian Open final | AFP

RESULTS (SEMI-FINALS): Aryna Sabalenka **bt** Elina Svitolina 6-2, 6-3; Elena Rybakina **bt** Jessica Pegula 6-3, 7-6 (9/7). **Friday's fixtures (singles):** Carlos Alcaraz vs Alexander Zverev; Jannik Sinner vs Novak Djokovic.

ing the title in Brisbane. The hard-hitting 27-year-old is into her fourth Australian Open final in a row and yet to drop a set all year.

Sabalenka and Moscow-born fifth seed Rybakina have met 14 times, with the Belarusian winning eight of them. That includes the Melbourne final in 2023, when Sabalenka fought back to win in three sets. Ahead of her semifinal clash with 12th seed Svitolina, an announcement was made at Rod Laver Arena that there would be no handshake afterwards, asking fans to "respect" that.

Like other players from Ukraine, Svitolina does not shake hands with opponents

from Russia or Moscow's ally Belarus because of the war.

After a dominant victory, Sabalenka was close to tears as she reflected on the "dream" life she leads. She had warm words for Svitolina, saying: "I'm super happy with the win, she's a really tough opponent, she was playing really incredible tennis throughout the whole week." There was controversy at the start of the fourth game.

With the match on serve, Sabalenka was hit with a hindrance call from the umpire for grunting, triggering a long video review. Sabalenka lost the point but recovered her poise and a break of serve early in the second set to surge home.

EXPRESS READ

TTFI secretary Mehta suspended in AGM

NEW DELHI: The Table Tennis Federation of India has suspended its secretary, former player Kamlesh Mehta. TTFI president Meghna Ahlawat, who is wife of ex-Haryana deputy CM Dushyant Chautala, and secretary Mehta were representing different factions in the governing body after being elected back in Dec 2022 as part of a "compromise".

Molineux to succeed Healy as OZ skipper

SYDNEY: All-rounder Sophie Molineux will succeed Alyssa Healy as the captain across formats after home series against India. Healy will led the team in three ODIs and one-off Test.

Former India hockey coach Nobbs dies

MELBOURNE: Former Australian hockey player Michael Nobbs, who coached the Indian men's team at the 2012 London Olympics, has died after a prolonged illness. He was 72.

Power, pace and financial muscle: How Premier League sides are ruling Europe

AGENCIES @ Manchester

PREMIER League clubs have flexed their muscle on and off the field in Europe, with five English sides finishing in the top eight of the Champions League group phase. Arsenal, Liverpool, Tottenham, Manchester City, Newcastle and Chelsea all enjoyed a higher win percentage in their eight Champions League matches

than they have in this season's Premier League. Mikel Arteta's Arsenal are the first side to finish with a perfect record of eight league-phase wins under the current format, while Tottenham, Liverpool, Chelsea and City also progressed directly to the last 16. Newcastle face a play-off next month but have little to fear based on the group stage. Bankrolled by television rights deals that dwarf those in



Benfica's Ukrainian goalkeeper Anatoliy Trubin (C) celebrates with his teammates after scoring the fourth goal against Real Madrid on Wednesday | AFP

other nations, Premier League clubs have long enjoyed a significant financial advantage over most of their European rivals. In Deloitte's annual Football Money League, released last week, nine of the top 20 highest-earning clubs in the world last season were English.

Five of the six English clubs that have shone in this season's Champions League were in the

top 10. During the summer transfer window, spending by Premier League clubs hit an all-time high, surpassing £3 billion (\$4.1 billion) — more than the Bundesliga, La Liga, Ligue 1 and Serie A combined.

Stunning Benfica

Jose Mourinho condemned his former employers to a ninth-placed finish in the league phase as his Benfica side beat

Real Madrid 4-2 in the Champions League on Wednesday, with a stoppage-time header by goalkeeper Anatoliy Trubin keeping the Portuguese alive in the competition. A third defeat of the campaign for Madrid, coupled with wins for Barcelona, Chelsea, Sporting Lisbon and Manchester City, meant Madrid missed out on the top eight and will have to play in the two-legged knockout play-off round.



AIRTEL PARTNERS WITH ADOBE

WHAT IT MEANS FOR USERS



Bharti Airtel will offer Adobe Express Premium free for one year to its 360 million customers across India

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

THE ECOM service provider Bharti Airtel on Thursday announced its partnership with global software company Adobe to provide several premium design features to Airtel users free of cost. According to the press note, from 2026, Bharti Airtel will offer Adobe Express Premium free for one year to its 360 million customers across India. The company said the partnership, a first of its kind in the Indian telecom space, is aimed at making professional-quality content creation accessible to everyone, regardless of design experience.

Who is eligible for the free subscription?

The Adobe Express Premium subscription will be available to all Airtel customers, including mobile, Wi-Fi and DTH users. Customers can activate the offer through the Airtel Thanks App without the need for a credit card, making access simple and hassle-free.

What can Airtel users create with Adobe Express?

Adobe Express allows users to create a wide range of content such as social media posts, marketing materials, short videos, resumes, invitations and branding assets. The platform is designed for quick and effortless creation, enabling users to produce professional-quality designs even without prior design knowledge.

What features does Adobe Express Premium include?

The premium subscription offers access to thousands of professional design templates, including those tailored for Indian festivals, weddings and local businesses. It also includes AI-powered tools such as background removal, custom image generation and one-tap video editing, along with premium Adobe Stock assets, over 30,000 professional fonts, 100GB cloud storage and advanced features like auto captions and instant resize. All content can be created without watermarks and synced seamlessly across devices.

Language and local relevance

Adobe Express is available in English, Hindi, Tamil and Bengali, allowing users to create content comfortably in their native languages. Whether it is festive greeting cards, wedding invitations, promotional material for local shops or WhatsApp status updates, the platform is designed to suit everyday Indian use cases.

How different users benefit from the offer

The partnership enables creators and influencers to produce high-quality, viral-ready content using easy video editing tools and AI effects. Consumers can stay connected with friends and family through personalised designs for everyday and festive occasions. The company said that students can build strong projects, presentations and portfolios while developing digital communication skills. Small businesses and entrepreneurs can design marketing material and branding assets in minutes, saving both time and costs, while marketers can create on-brand campaigns that reflect local culture and identity.



SANAL SUDEVAN @ Chennai

AS India's information technology sector faces job cuts amid rapid adoption of new technologies, P Venkatesh, director and co-founder of Chennai-based Maveric Systems Ltd, said academia must embrace a vocational training model to make IT engineers and professionals industry-ready.

"I don't think at any point in time—even 50 years from now—we can say that academics will consistently produce industry-ready talent. This will always be debated," Venkatesh said. "Academia will lag behind industry. By staying outside, they need to integrate strongly with industry. Only then is it possible."

Citing the success of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), Venkatesh said vocational education has proven its relevance. "Take the example of ITI training institutes. Have you seen electrical or manufacturing companies ignoring ITI talent?

'IT ACADEMIA SHOULD ADOPT VOCATIONAL TRAINING MODEL'

They are trained specifically for those roles, and that's why they succeed," he said.

According to him, a shift towards vocational education is a step forward across sectors. "Whether it is manufacturing or services, vocational training is the way to go," he added.

Established in 2000, Maveric Systems is a niche banking and financial services technology specialist, focusing on operations and technology transformation using AI, data and automation. The company was founded by Ranga Reddy, P Venkatesh, Subramanian N N, and Mahesh V N, who began their career as management consultants.

Venkatesh observed that pricing models in the IT sector are likely to change with the adoption of artificial intelligence, though the shift is still at an early stage. "For pricing models to change, the technology has to evolve and

deliver accurate outcomes. Testers need to be trained to use simpler prompts, and machines must evolve to process faster and more accurately," he said. He explained that transactional pricing models, with minimum thresholds and agreed volumes, are emerging. "In such models, as volumes go up, transaction pricing comes down. There are slab rates, and at current volumes, this can lead to a 40-50% reduction in costs," he said.

On India's aggressive push to set up data centres, Venkatesh said power consumption would remain a bigger challenge than water availability for cooling. "Google has perfected this model. They are setting up operations in Visakhapatnam with a sub-sea cable network and alternative energy infrastructure. This allows them to scale up energy requirements whenever needed," he said.

EXPRESS INTERVIEW



TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

GOBOULT launches TWS earbuds designed in India

GOBOULT, one of India's fast-growing audio and wearable brands, has launched Tenet, its first fully designed-in-India true wireless stereo (TWS) earbuds. With this launch, the company aims to bring a fresh and original design approach to India's premium-affordable audio segment. Tenet stands out with its bold, flat-top charging case and sharp geometric design, moving away from the familiar look of most TWS earbuds in the market. Inspired by a brutalist and retro-futuristic style, the earbuds focus on clean design, comfort and everyday usability. To ensure a better fit, GOBOULT used LIDAR scans of thousands of ears while designing the earbuds.

ESTD: 1907 THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED				
Administrative Office: # 3, PAMPAMAHAKAVI ROAD, CHAMARAJAPET, BANGALORE -18. Ph. : 26678572 : 26600512 : 26609066.				
SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION				
Auction Sale under the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 of the Immovable properties mortgaged to The Bangalore City Co. operative Bank Ltd., is brought to Sale under "AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION".				
Sl No	Name of the Borrower & Description of property	Boundaries & Measurement	Amount of Secured debt & Reserve Price	Date of Public Auction
01.	Sri. Shameem Taj No.13, 7th Main, Padarayanapura, Bengaluru South Bengaluru-26. No. 80, Old Khaneshumari No. 80, out of Sy. No. 18 of Gangondanahalli Village, 3rd Cross, Gangondanahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 131 of Nayandandahalli, Bangalore.	East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 30 feet East by : Athifa Banu's Property, West by : Remaining Portion of The Property No. 80. North by : Road, South by : Rizwana Banu's Property,	Rs. 15,22,599/- (Interest from 13.01.2026) Notice Date : 13.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 73,70,000/-	26.02.2026 10.00 AM
02.	Smt. Kasthuri. N No.196, 2nd Main, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-20. New No. 239, Old No. 02, Situated at 2nd Main Road, Sheshadripuram, Presently coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 27 & new Ward No. 94 of Gandhinagar, PID No. 27-67-239, Bengaluru.	East to West : 50 feet & North to South : 30 feet East by : Property No.07 West by : Road North by Property No. 01 South by : Property No. 03	Rs. 49,65,979/- (Interest from 13.01.2026) Notice Date : 13.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 1,90,00,000/-	26.02.2026 11.00 AM
03.	Sri. Babu. G No. 18, A Main Road, Balajinagar, S.G. Palya, Dharamaram College, Bengaluru-29. New Municipal No. 18, (Old No.3/64), 'A' Main, Balaji Nagar, BBMP Ward No. 63 of Lakkasandra, PID No. 63-118-18, Bengaluru.	East to West : 27.5 feet & North to South : 16 feet (4 Feet used for common passage for the purchaser & the Western Portion Owner) East by : Road West by : Remaining Portion of Same Property No. 3/64-18, (Now Gopal Prasad Chaturvedi) North by : Property of Narayanappa South by : Property of C.R. Nanjundappa	Rs. 25,60,964/- (Interest from 12.01.2026) Notice Date : 12.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 48,60,000/-	26.02.2026 11.30 AM
04.	Sri. Saleem Jawad No. 18/1, 2nd Cross, Anjanappa Block, Krishnamma Garden, J.C. Nagar Post, Bengaluru-32. Property bearing Old No. 09, New No. 19/5-2, Jayamahal Extension, 1st Main, BBMP Ward No. 92 of Jayamahal, PID No. 92-16-19/5-2, Bengaluru.	AB Line 33 feet, BC Line 42 feet, CA line : 24 feet, 6 inches as per annexed plan, The total area of the site is 404 Sq. feet. East by : 1st Main Road, West by : Beaford compound, North by : Beaford compound, South by : Private Property	Rs. 44,61,402/- (Interest from 14.01.2026) Notice Date : 14.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 64,60,000/-	26.02.2026 12.00 PM
05.	Smt. Uma S No.12/1, 8th Cross, Back Side Santhosh JYM Shivananda Nagar, Moodalapalya, Nagarabavi, Bengaluru-72. New Municipal No. 12/1, Old No. 12 Assessment No. 44 (South Portion), Khaneshumari No.1113, Khatha No. 875, 8th Cross Road, Shivananada nagar, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 35 of Chandralayout, New BBMP Ward No. 126 of Maruthi Mandir, PID No. 35-168-12/1, Bengaluru.	East to West : 55 feet & North to South : 15 feet. East by : GKW Layout West by : Road, North by : Northern Portion of Site No. 12, South by : Site No. 13	Rs. 41,71,897/- (Interest from 22.01.2026) Notice Date : 23.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 64,00,000/-	26.02.2026 12.30 P. M
06.	Smt. Manjunath. M No. 15/1, "B" Street, 2nd Cross, Gopalapura, Magadi Road, Bengaluru-23. New No. 15/1, Old No. 15, formerly No. 15/1-1, situated at 2nd Cross Road, "B" street, Gopalapura, Magadi Road, Presently coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 25 of Rama Chandrapura, New Ward No. 121 of binnyet, With PID No. 25-64-15/1, Bengaluru	East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 20 feet East by : Property belongs to Muniyappa. West by : Road, North by : Remaining portion of property bearing No. 15 South by : Conservancy lane.	Rs. 18,49,827/- (Interest from 22.01.2026) Notice Date : 23.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 42,00,000/-	26.02.2026 01.00 P. M
07.	Smt. Ammayamma No.65, Channappa Layout, Opp Sree Shanimahatma Temple, Sreeganada Kavala, Bengaluru-91. No. 65, BBMP Khatha No. 298/65/127/295, BBMP Ward No. 129, of Sreeganada Kavala, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru.	East to West: 30 feet & North to South: 40 feet. East by : Site No. 66 West by : Site No. 64 North by : Site No. 31 South by : Road	Rs. 11,67,985/- (Interest from 22.01.2026) Notice Date : 23.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 95,00,000/-	26.02.2026 01.30 P. M
08.	Sri. Mahadeva & Smt. Nagarathna No.25/1-1, 2nd Main Road, K.P. Agrahara, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Bengaluru-23. New Municipal No. 4/3-3/1, Old Municipal No. 4/3-3, (Northern portion), site No. 39, (Eastern Side portion), "A" Block, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Magadi Road, Kempapura Agrahara, BBMP Ward No. 32 & New Ward No. 122 of Kempapura Agrahara, PID No. 32-43-4/3-3/1, Bengaluru.	East to West : 12 feet (15 feet including 3 feet common Passage) & North to South : 20 feet East by : Common Passage measuring East to West :- 3 feet, N to S :- 20 feet from Northern Side West by : Remaining portion of the property No. 39 South by : Road South by : Southern portion of No. 4/3-3, Measuring E to W : 15 feet & N to S : 20 feet.	Rs. 9,98,936/- (Interest from 22.01.2026) Notice Date : 23.01.2026 Reserve Price : Rs. 20,90,000/-	26.02.2026 02.00 P. M

(e) The public auction will be conducted in the premises of Administrative office, No.3, Pampa Mahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 (2) For participation in the auction the intending bidder have to deposit an amount equivalent to 10 % of the Reserve price of the property being auctioned deposit. The cautioned deposit shall be forfeited by the bank without any prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to Adhere to the terms of Sale, time and commits default in any manner. (3) The successful bidders should deposit 25 % of the bid amount on the same day at the sale in cash/D.D. to the bank and the balance within 15 days from the date of sale. (4) The Successful bidders shall bear all expenses like stamp duty Registration fee etc., for getting the sale certificate Registered in his/her favour. (5) The authorized officer shall have powers to accept or reject bids or postpone / cancel the auction without assigning any reasons thereof. (6) For inspection of the property and other particular, the intending bidders may contact the undersigned at The Bangalore City Co. operative Bank Ltd., Administrative office, or through phone No.26678572 / 26600512, they are at liberty to make their own Assessment / enquiry about the property.

Place: Bangalore Date : 29.01.2026 Sd/- Authorized Officer The Bangalore City Co. Operative Bank Ltd.

 Canara Bank A Government of India Undertaking ARM Branch- II, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001. Telephone numbers 080-25310181 - e-mail - cb6298@canarabank.com						
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002) E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002						
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of will be sold on 19.02.2026 "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below. (₹. in Crores)						
Sl. No.	Borrower Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of Immovable Properties (Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned)	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & EMD	Incremental value at the Bid
1.	(1) Smt. Priti Bhuyan W/o D J Bhuyan, No.27, MM Road, Flat No.202, Emerald Apartments, Cox Town, Bangalore-560005. (2) Smt. Priti Bhuyan W/o D J Bhuyan No.14, Pragatish Nagar, Gauhati Post, Gauhati University Jalukbari-781014. (3) Smt Priti Bhuyan W/o D J Bhuyan, 17015, Prestige Tranquility Bommenahalli Bangalore East, Bangalore Urban-560049. (4) Sri Bhuyan D J S/o Ram Charan Bhuyan, No.27 Bangalore North, Narasimha Swamy Temple, Bangalore-560005. (5) Sri Bhuyan D J S/o Ram Charan Bhuyan, House No.17, Pragatish Nagar, Jalukabari Po, Guwahati University Kamrup Metro Guwahati-781014. (6) Sri Bhuyan D J S/o Ram Charan Bhuyan No.27, MM Road Flat No.202, Emerald Apartments, Cox Town Bangalore-560005. (7) Sri Bhuyan D J S/o Ram Charan Bhuyan Prop Of M/s Alpine Solutions Service No.40, 1st Floor, Gover Road, Cox Town Bengaluru-560005. (8) Tanveer Khan S/o Shabbir Khan No.5, 2nd Floor Kenchappa Road Musa Apartment Fraser Town Bengaluru North-560005. (9) Tanveer Khan S/o Shabbir Khan Prop Of M/s Zohra Fashion Dress Materials, No.18/17, New City Centre Narayana Pillay Street Commercial Street Bengaluru-560001. (10) M/s Samrudhi Realty Ltd Rep By Its Authorised Signatory No.01, 2nd Floor, Tata Lane Richmond Road Cross, Bengaluru-560025. (11) M/s Samrudhi Realty Ltd Rep By Its Authorised Signatory Mr. Dharamesh M Kuvalekar Having Office At The Landmark, #21/14, 4th Floor, Mg Road Bengaluru-560001.	Rs. 1,99,18,747.57 (Rupees One Crore Ninety Nine Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Seven and Fifty Seven paise only) plus further interest thereon from 27.01.2026 along with expenses, other charges, etc.	All that piece and parcel bearing No.10 Situated in the Schedule A Property of a Four Bedroom residential House/ Unit comprising of Ground plus two upper floors to be constructed in "SAMRUDDHI MYSTIC WIND" measuring 918.261 Sq ft of divided land area 620.514Sqft of exclusive right to use garden area 450.253 Sq ft of proportionate undivided land area (common areas) and 2955 Sq ft of super built up area converted land bearing Sy No 31/2, measuring 1 acre 35 Guntas out of 5 Acres 13 guntas excluding 7 guntas of Karab land situated at Nimbekayippura Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Bengaluru-560049. Property in the name Smt. Priti Bhuyan and Sri Bhuyan D J and Bounded by: East by : Plot No.11, West by : Plot No. 9, North by : Compound Wall, South by : Drive Way.	19.02.2026 01.00 PM to 03.00 PM	Reserve Price Rs.150.35 EMD Rs.15.04	Rs. 1,00,000/-
OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website https://baanknet.com Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. (b) The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer. (c) The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. (d) EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. (e) After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before 18.02.2026, to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. (f) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. (ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. (iii) Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal https://baanknet.com and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com . EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. (f) Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiples of Rs.1,00,000/-. The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. (g) The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298. (h) For sale proceeds of Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. (i) All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. (j) Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. (k) In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. (l) Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area, dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. (m) After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act						
For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, ARM Branch-2- ((91113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 7561062889, 9483544116, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id - cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) e-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com						
SPECIAL INSTRUCTION / CAUTION Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back-up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.						
Date : 29.01.2026 Place: Bangalore				Sd/- Authorised officer Canara Bank		